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PASTORS:

Ask your people to read this explanation

Remind the people who have not observed Lent with greater earnestness and fervor than in the past, that they had better make up for lost time during the next two weeks, known as Passiontide. The lesson of Lent is penance, self-denial, sacrifice. It should take the form of fasting, abstention from candies and refreshments, abstention from the movies. It should bring out every parishioner to midweek Lenten services, and at least one from every family to weekday Mass.

It should stimulate every one to the alms-giving form of penance. The Bishop recommends a minimum of \$5.00 for every wage earner. That means just about ten cents per day during Lent—or about a half day's pay for most people during a season of 46 days.

The people in every parish may be interested in knowing that there are some parishes in which the priest receives many offerings of \$10.00, \$20.00, and even \$100.00 from people who are better able to afford it, and who really want to do something for their souls and for others during Lent.

It requires only \$3.00 to take care of a subscription to the diocesan paper, of a membership in the Propagation of the Faith, and the requested offering for Catholic Charities and dues to the national office of the NCCW and NCCM—for 130 parishes. Whatever is given over and over goes to the parish church.

Concludes Series



David P. Stanton, past president of the Gary Bar Association and prominent Catholic layman will give the concluding lecture of the Lenten series at the Sacred Heart Church, Whiting, on Passion Sunday, March 26, it was announced by James S. McCarty, chairman of the committee on arrangements.

Stanton, a graduate magna cum laude from Notre Dame University will discuss the question "Why Not Communism?"

The Sunday evening lectures during the season of Lent have been sponsored by the Rev. Herman Miller, pastor.

Christophers Ready Booklet On New Movie

New York—(NC)—The Christophers have published a booklet containing the script of the first Christopher movie, "You Can Change the World."

According to the booklet 200 16-mm. prints of the film are now ready for circulation. Other movies to be made by the Christophers include: "Your Part in the Atomic Energy Field," "Television—A Vital Career for You," "Your Role as a Government Worker," "College Teaching as a Career," "Secretarial Work With a Purpose" and "Your Career in the Labor Management Field."

Expulsion Of Vatican Diplomat Starts New Czech War On Church

American Priests Also Expelled By Communist Regime

Rome—(Radio, NC)—The expulsion of Msgr. Ottavio De Liva, auditor of the papal nunciature in Prague, is "merely the confirmation of a wicked persecution aimed at enslaving Catholicism and the Church by strangling and destroying them," *Il Quotidiano*, Catholic Action daily, has commented here.

The Red regime handed a curt note to Monsignor De Liva on March 16, giving him three days to leave the country. His dismissal came as the climax of a three-week, high-

gear propaganda campaign against him. The note accused him of having directed the "subversive, anti-state activity" of the country's hierarchy; of "interfering in the internal affairs of the Czechoslovak Republic," and of "misusing" his official position. One of the propaganda charges the regime had made against him was that he helped stage the "fraudulent miracle" at Cihost, where the corpus of a crucifix is reported to have moved mysteriously.

The priest's dismissal from Prague leaves the Vatican without any representative in the Czechoslovak capital. The Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Xavier Ritter, has been in Italy on sick leave since February, 1948. The former charge d'affaires, Msgr. Gennaro Verolino, left the country last July under a barrage of propaganda attacks similar to those directed at Monsignor De Liva. The Prague regime has a charge d'affaires, Ilija Rath, at the Vatican. His office has been closed and he has been recalled.

Fear that the expulsion marks the beginning of a violent stage in the Church-State struggle in that country was expressed here by four American Benedictines just recently forced to leave the abbey of Broumov in Bohemia. They are now preparing to return to St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle, Ill.

The monks who had been sent to Broumov in 1946 to take over the abbey after expulsion of Sudeten Germans are Fathers Alexis Machacek and Roger Holub and Brothers Benedict Kohout and Francis Totka, all United States citizens. Both priests were notified last month that their residence permits would not be renewed and were ordered to leave the country in two weeks. The Broumov abbey's prior, the Rev. John Cherf, also of St. Procopius, and one lay brother, Brother Silvester, are presumably still at Broumov.

The expelled priests declared they are convinced that Prague will soon remove all Bishops from their Sees and prepare to set up a schismatic "national Catholic church." The case of the Banská Bystrica diocese, where the regime appointed its own "apostolic administrator," the priests believe, sets the pattern.

Austria Dodging Concordat, Says Archbishop

Vienna—(NC)—Austria was admonished to return to the Catholic way of life in a Lenten sermon by Archbishop Andrew Rohrer of Salzburg.

"That Austria is not yet on the right road is proved, unfortunately, by her refusal to respect the obligations arising out of her Concordat with the Holy See," he said. "Thus she has taken no step to amend the marriage laws introduced under the German occupation and which, in their present form, are incompatible with the law of God and His Church."

The Archbishop reiterated the Catholic demand for a school law respecting freedom of conscience. It is a sacred obligation to educate Catholic children in accordance with Catholic principles, he said, and the state has no right to shirk this fundamental duty. Austria's future, he added, depends on the manner in which she brings up the younger generation, and her responsible leaders should take this into account before it is too late.

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We hope that all of you have already subscribed for *Our Sunday Visitor* (\$1.50); have renewed a membership in the Society for the Propagation of the Faith (\$1.00); and given the offering for Diocesan Charities and for the payment of national dues for every parish in the two national organizations represented in all parishes (\$1.00).

Last Sunday the collection was the annual collection for the relief which the Holy Father wants the Bishops of the United States to continue granting to refugees, expellees and to impoverished religious and orphans in many countries.

A minimum of \$5.00 was asked for all these purposes, representing considerably less than \$1.00 a week for the period of Lent. Those who did not, by self-denial and sacrifice, save at least that much have certainly not kept Lent properly.

If you have not placed into your Lenten envelope the amount requested and marked an "X" in the little boxes on the envelope for the contribution you have made, please do so during the next two weeks—Passiontide—the most serious part of Lent.

The Bishop urges all these things, but neither he nor the diocese receives one cent of what you give. If you give more than \$5.00 your parish gets the same.

John Francis Noel
Bishop of Fort Wayne

Capacity Congregations Greet Pilgrim Virgin

(See pictures on page 5A)

Capacity congregations greet the Pilgrimage Virgin statue of Our Lady of Fatima as the replica makes its way on pilgrimage through the Fort Wayne Diocese.

Stirring sermons on the necessity of reparation and penance for sin that is causing constant unrest in the world are delivered alternately by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William C. McGrath and the Rev. Desmond Stringer, Canadian priests accompanying the statue on its tour.

The Marian Hour has been conducted at St. Vincent Villa; St. Francis College; St. Peter's; St. Patrick's and Precious Blood churches in Fort Wayne; Our Lady of the Lake Seminary, Wawasee; St. Mary's, Decatur; Victory-Noll, St. Felix Monastery and St. Mary's, Huntington; Ancilla Domini Convent, Donaldson; St. Joseph's, Mishawaka; St. Vincent's, Elkhart; St. Joseph's, LaPorte; St. Mary's, Michigan City and St. Mark's, Gary.

The remainder of the itinerary is as follows:
March 25—St. Hedwig, Gary;
March 26—Holy Angels, Gary;
March 27—St. Casimir, Hammond;
March 28—Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Bensenville; March 29—All

Saints, Hammond; March 30—St. Stanislaus, East Chicago; March 31—St. Mary's, East Chicago; April 1—St. John Cantius, East Chicago; April 2—St. John's, Whiting; April 3—Sacred Heart, Whiting.

Plan Three-Day Centennial In England

London—(NC)—Wembley Stadium, scene of the 1948 Olympic Games in London and of many of Britain's chief sporting events, will be the scene of the national Catholic demonstration planned to close the main celebrations marking the centenary of the restoration of the hierarchy in this country.

The demonstration will take place on October 1, final day of the centenary triduum. It will include a pageant showing the work of the Church in Britain for the past 100 years.

Invitations to attend have been sent to many Cardinals and Bishops throughout the world.

U. S. Army Chief Of Staff Laetare Medal Recipient

Notre Dame, Ind.—General Joseph L. Collins, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, was announced Sunday, March 19 as the 50 recipient of the Laetare Medal, awarded annually since 1883 by the University of Notre Dame to outstanding American Catholic men.

The announcement was made by Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame. General Collins is the sixty-eighth distinguished American to receive the Laetare Medal, the oldest American Catholic medal, which is called the Laetare Medal because the award is announced on Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent. Movie actress Irene Dunne was the 1949 recipient of the Laetare Medal, which was founded by the Rev. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C., founder of Notre Dame.

Father Cavanaugh, in announcing the award to General Collins, said: "General Collins has had a distinguished career as a soldier, having been decorated for gallantry in both World Wars. His genius during the crisis of wartime, moreover, is equalled by his steadfast efforts in behalf of peace in the world today. General Collins, throughout his lengthy service with the United States government, has remained a shining example of the moral leadership which is one of the vital needs of the world."

A native of New Orleans, La., General Collins was graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., in 1917, at which time he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army. He advanced through the ranks until, in February, 1942, he was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General. In May, 1943, he was made Major General. April, 1945, Lieutenant General, and a full General at the time of his appointment to his present post.



U. S. Aide's School Law View Called Insult To Pope

Bavarian Hierarchy Apprises McCloy Of Winning Statement

Munich (NC)—The Bavarian Hierarchy considers the recent criticism of the new school law of Bavaria by Charles D. Winning, American public affairs officer here, an "insult to the Holy Father," says a letter addressed jointly to U. S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy.

Mr. Winning had referred specifically to article 135 of the Bavarian Constitution, which provides that parents have the right to choose the type of schooling they desire for their children, and that the schools can be either confessional or non-denominational. The latter are admissible only upon the explicit demand of communities made up of members of various religious denominations.

It was Mr. Winning's view that the application of this provision does not provide sufficiently for the needs of parents who do not belong to any of the Christian churches, and that it expressed favoritism for the confessional schools, either Protestant or Catholic. Also, the law failed, according to Mr. Winning, to provide for the right of parents to choose the type of schooling they desire for their children by disregarding the constitution in granting the privilege of parents to turn over schools to religious communities if two-thirds of the parents favored such a move, and in providing for teachers belonging to the denomination of the Majority of the pupils.

The Bavarian Hierarchy formally protested to Mr. McCloy that Mr. Winning's criticism is directed against the Bavarian Concordat with the Holy See, an instrument of international law. Bavarian Protestants are equally emphatic in insisting that the law is in keeping with their own state concordat, while D. Alois Hundhammer, Bavarian Minister of Education points out that 74 per cent of the school children of the state are Catholic and 25 Protestant.

Mr. Winning had referred to the fact that parents who belong to neither group should have the opportunity of sending their children to non-parochial public schools, but

that only 0.3 per cent of the Bavarian school children belong to other than the two major Christian denominations and only 0.2 per cent are listed as non-denominational.

"The confessional school," says the letter of the Bavarian Hierarchy addressed to High Commissioner McCloy, "has been violently taken away from us by the Nazi regime. Is it now to be restricted in its scope, or even abolished by the American occupational power?"

"Is the explicit will of the parents to be disregarded in this era of democracy?"

Clarence M. Bolds, United States Land Commissioner for Bavaria, said that Mr. Winning's comments were merely meant to state the American position clearly.

The socialists of Bavaria accuse Dr. Hundhammer of "black reactionary tendencies" and attempts to impose "a Catholic domination upon the state."

Moral Weapons Needed By U. S., Sokolsky Says

New York (NC)—The United States has to build again the hard pioneer spirit that accompanied the birth of this country if it is to survive the communist challenge, columnist George E. Sokolsky declared at the annual communion breakfast of the Catholic Court Attaches Guild here.

"We have to harden ourselves to realize that we are back in that kind of a world, forced back by the circumstances of our generation, by the possibility of being conquered," Mr. Sokolsky said in stressing that the material weapons of defense will not be enough against the Russians. He continued:

"We have got to make ourselves so right and so morally strong, so sure of ourselves that our will to resist is not only physical but spiritual, so that we can resist, and we will resist; and we have got to be certain that our children are not led away from us by false assumptions as to the nature and character of man..."

Students Doubled

Maryknoll, N. Y. (NC)—Enrollment at Maryknoll seminaries throughout the U. S. has nearly doubled in the five years since V-J day, according to the Rev. Robert L. Mackesy, Maryknoll vocation director.

Cabinet Aide Hailed As Man Who Talks Back

Rich. R. Stokes, Well-Known Catholic In British Parliament

London (NC)—The appointment of Richard Raper Stokes, well-known Catholic member of parliament for many years, as Minister of Works in the reorganized post-election government of Britain, is widely welcomed here.

Mr. Stokes is known as the man who talks back to his Labor Party leaders when he feels criticism is necessary. He succeeds Charles Key, Mr. Stokes' post, which is that of cabinet rank although not in the cabinet, carries a salary of 5,000 pounds (\$14,000) a year.

But in accepting it Mr. Stokes will have to resign his position as chairman of Ransomes and Rapier, a family engineering concern, which is the largest producer of agricultural machinery in Britain. As Minister of Works, Mr. Stokes is responsible for all government construction and maintenance work except housing.

The Daily Express, secular daily here, commenting on his appointment, says:

"The appointment of Mr. Richard Stokes to the Ministry of Works will be widely approved. It would have been a still better appointment however, if (Prime Minister) Mr. Attlee had decided to detach responsibility for housing from the Minister of Health and handed it to Mr. Stokes..."

"With Mr. Stokes in charge and the private builder given a chance to serve the community there would have been a better hope of achieving something in a hurry."

The Liberal News Chronicle comments: "The appointment of Mr. Stokes as Minister of Works is a welcome assurance that independence of mind is no bar to office under Mr. Attlee."

The parliamentary correspondent of The Times, in a report on the new government, writes:

"Mr. Stokes, who is 53, was awarded the French Croix de Guerre and the Order of the Nile in the 1914-18 war. In two Parliaments Mr. Stokes has been known as a lively and slightly unorthodox Labor member, whose robust, pungent and humorous interventions in debate and at question time made him one of the best-liked members of the House. He has never been sparing in his criticism of Labor Ministers: when he thought the occasion demanded it, but his belaboring of colleagues left no ill-feeling behind."

With his appointment, and that of Lord Holden, Catholic peer, as Parliamentary Undersecretary to the Commonwealth Relations Office, the government now includes five Catholics.

Lord Pakenham, Minister of Civil Aviation; Walter Edwards, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and John Wheatley, Lord Advocate, all retain the offices they held in the last Parliament.

Archdiocese Statement Advises No Proof Of Apparitions' Exists

Frankfurt, Germany (NC)—Msgr. Otto Luefolding, Vicar General of the Diocese of Osnabrueck has issued an official statement that no proof exists regarding alleged apparitions in the village of Heede just before the war.

He stated that Archbishop Wilhelm Berning of Osnabrueck has given no authority for the publishing of a recent brochure on the alleged visions girls were said to have had of the Blessed Virgin, and the clergy were advised not to promote its distribution.

Church To Be Restored As Historical Monument

Wichita (NC)—Plans are in the making to restore Wichita's first Catholic Church for presentation to the city as a monument to be placed in one of the city's parks.

The building was erected in 1870 as a Presbyterian church. The following year it was used as a public school and in 1872 was bought by the Catholic Church and dedicated as St. Alcuin's Church.

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Fort Wayne K. C. Note Founders' Day



The 68th anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus was observed here Sunday, March 19 by Fort Wayne Council No. 451 attending corporate Communion at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A breakfast at the Knights of Columbus Home was held after the Mass. Pictured here at the breakfast are, sitting, left to right: Robert M. Weitz, Catholic activities chairman; the Most Rev. John F. Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne, who spoke; and Judge John H. Logan, trustee. Standing, left to right, are Edwin J. O'Neill, grand knight, and Harold D. Cothrell, chancellor.—(Fort Wayne News-Sentinel photo.)

Lake County Foresters Hold First Meeting

Gary—Ninety officers, representing 16 of the 20 Lake County Catholic Order of Forester Courts met at Holy Rosary Parish Hall, here, recently, for their first 1950 quarterly meeting.

The general meeting was called by President, Edwin Huber of St. Mary's, Crown Point. Mr. Charles J. Anstett, State Chief Ranger, of Fowler, presented Legion of Honor emblems to Mr. Andrew Krieter of Turkey Creek and Mr. Alfred Govert of Schererville for outstanding service in their local courts.

The Rev. Joseph Schmidt, host pastor, delivered the principal address.

The Juvenile Directors reported plans being made for the sponsorship of a Junior Soft-ball League of the County Courts. Announcement was also made that April 16 was the date set for the annual Lake County C.O.F. Bowling Tournament to be held at the Kaiser-Dunn alleys at Crown Point.

The following members were appointed on the Activities Committee for 1950 by the president, Mr. Huber: Verne Konopasek, of St. Mary's Parish, Griffith as Chairman; Henry Huppenthal of Holy Name, Cedar Lake; Sam Anello of St. Mark's, Gary; Fred Larson of St. Mary's, East Chicago; Jacob Krieter of St. Peter and Paul's, Turkey Creek; Frank DeBolt of St. Joseph's, Hammond; Andrew Thiel of St. John's, St. John; Julius Rupp of St. Luke's, Gary; Edward Sonnen of Holy Rosary, Gary and Joseph Organ of Holy Angel's of Gary. The next meeting will be held at St. Joseph's Parish, Dyer on May 28, with St. Joseph's Court 104 acting as host Court.

Priest Is Oldest Mentor On Irish Athletic Staff

Notre Dame—The Rev. George Helderith, C.S.C., Notre Dame golf coach, is the oldest mentor on the Irish athletic staff from the standpoint of service. Father Helderith took charge of the golfers in 1933. Krause (Jake) Kline, baseball coach, is next in line having started in 1934. Elvin R. (Doc) Handy has coached the track team since 1935. Frank Leahy assumed the football coaching duties in 1941 and Ed (Boss) Krause took over basketball in 1943. Both, however, were in service and away from coaching during the war. Helderith has been coach of the football team since 1947.

Leaders Scored For Neglecting God In Peace Structure

Cincinnati, O. — Our American leaders, through a neglect of God, have come "perilously near to surrendering our national soul," according to the Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., President of the University of Notre Dame.

Father Cavanaugh made this observation in an address delivered March 17 at a dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick held at the Hotel Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati.

"All of the nations have come together to erect an international structure so that peace may bless the earth," Father Cavanaugh reminded the St. Patrick Day gathering. "There has been talk about fighting tuberculosis, about reducing armaments and establishing a free-flow of the world's goods to this country and that. There has been talk about almost everything but God. An American representative told me recently he had heard God mentioned only once in all of the conferences of the United Nations, and then by an insignificant representative from India."

"Are we now cowed into thinking that God has nothing to do with the success or failure of such a gigantic undertaking? Is there no American to paraphrase the words of Benjamin Franklin, spoken at one of the early constitutional conventions here in America: 'If a sparrow cannot fall from a tree without God's knowledge, how can we hope to erect an international structure without God's aid?'"

Sodality Groups Formed In Honor Of Dominic Savio

Tokyo—(NC)—The Sodality of the Immaculate Conception and of St. Joseph were organized among the students of the Salesian Industrial School here on the day on which Blessed Dominic Savio, protege of St. John Bosco, was beatified in Rome.

Five separate sodalities are commonly organized in Salesian schools throughout the world; namely, the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception (for leaders); St. Aloysius (for boys up to 12 years of age); the Blessed Sacrament (boys 12 to 15 years); St. Joseph (for workers) and a special sodality for altar boys. Most important of all the groups is the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception which includes those who are to serve as leaders in all the other groups.

British Bishop Praises Press For Handling Of Catholic School Issue

London—(NC)—Praise for the British secular press in its treatment of the Catholic schools question is contained in a pastoral letter issued by Bishop Edward Ellis of Nottingham.

"From my own observation and reports sent to me," he writes, "the national and local press have given us a very fair hearing. That this should have been done for a minority, and at a time when every inch of space was in demand, seems to me an indication that those responsible saw our case not as one of partisan importance, but of general principle affecting the well-being of the nation as a whole."

"Our fight is not just a political issue or a mere struggle for better school buildings and greater state support. We are engaged in a battle for the souls of our little ones—a battle in which Cardinal Mindszenty, Archbishops Stepinac and Beran and a host of clergy have been ready to suffer imprisonment, torture and death..."

St. Catherine Guild Hears Father Curran

Gary—Saint Catherine of Alexandria Guild of Catholic Teachers, composed of teachers from Saint Monica Parish sponsored a tea and lecture Sunday, March 19 at the Delta House, 2636 Harrison Street, here. The speaker was Father Patrick T. Curran of Holy Angels Church, Chicago. His topic was "The Cana Conference Movement in the U.S.A."

The Committee headed by Mrs. Thelma Clay, president, consisted of Mrs. Ethel McGehee, Mrs. Natalie Ousley, Mrs. Blanche Evans, Mrs. Ann Redmon, Mrs. Genevieve Gray, Miss Caroline Tippet, Miss Felicia Rhetta, Mrs. Juanita Guy, Mrs. Dorothy Travis and Mrs. Arnie Beekwith.

Anniversary

Notre Dame—Twelve hours of continuous film showings were the highlight of the second anniversary celebration Thursday, March 22, in the Department of Audio-Visual Aids at the University of Notre Dame.

The all-day program was planned by Orville R. Foster, director of the department staff. Lasting

Carol Jackson To Speak At St. Joseph College

Rensselaer, Ind. — Miss Carol Jackson, founder and co-editor of Integrity, popular and lively Catholic periodical, will speak on "The Lay Apostolate" at St. Joseph's College Tuesday evening, March 28.

A convert of seven years, Miss Jackson, under the pen name of Peter Michaels, wrote "Design for Christian Living."

Friday evening, March 24, the St. John's Drama Club of Whiting is presenting the drama "Song at the Scaffold," in the college theatre.

from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m., it represented two specific aspects of the department's work, educational entertainment and full-scale motion picture production.

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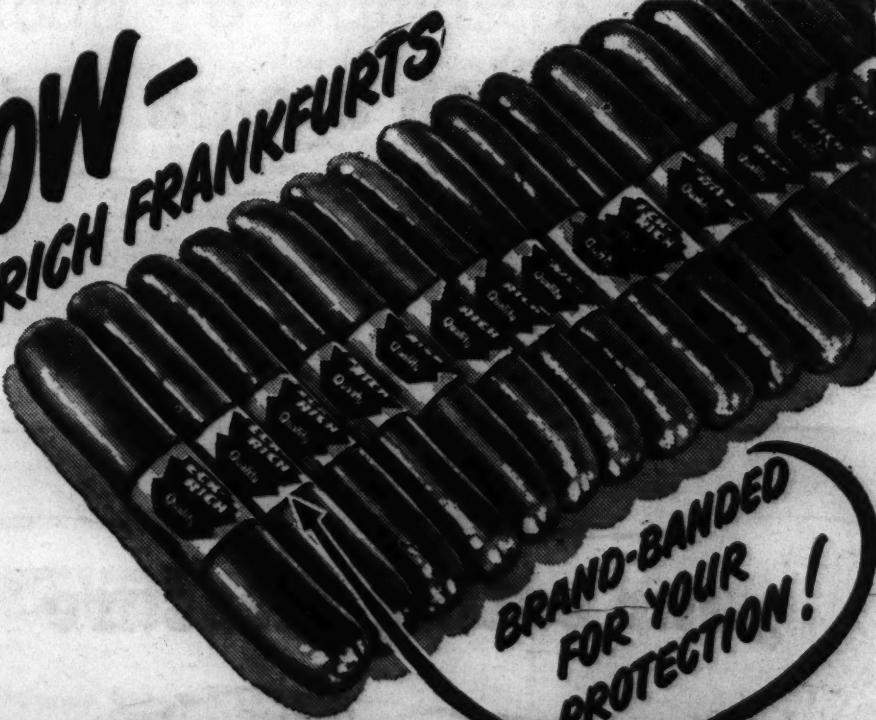
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The Voice of the NCCW

Fort Wayne Deanery

Mrs. Leonard Grout

NCCW district five, of which Mrs. Arthur DeWispelaere is president, will hold its meeting at St. Joseph church, Roanoke, Sunday afternoon, April 2. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at 2 p.m. and at the following meeting election of officers for the district will take place. Mrs. Joseph Merckx is St. Joseph church parish president.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help study club of Cathedral parish met at the home of Mrs. Stanley Tisovic last Monday evening. The topic of discussion at this meeting was on "Our Personal Crusade in the World Crusade of Prayer." Members participated in a review of Mary Lewis Coakly's book, "Fitting God Into the Picture."

Michigan City Deanery

Mrs. John C. Barnes

The urgent appeal made by Mrs. Alfred Lucas, national president, in the current issue of the *Monthly Message*, for our continued support in aiding the restoration of disrupted family life abroad, stresses our responsibility in cooperating in this continued drive for clothing, soap and cash donations.

Funds raised are used to maintain the warehouse at Maspeth, Long Island, to which you sent your clothing, etc., for the store-

rooms of the Holy Father. This is where material is processed and shipped. Donations make it possible to keep the necessary minimum staff overseas. Cash also is used to buy milk and medicine for the war needy of the world who cannot otherwise obtain these necessities.

Many letters of gratitude have been received for the help we have given these unfortunate people, particularly where penicillin and streptomycin are in demand. Your generous donations made on Laetare Sunday will make it possible to carry on this high order of Christian charity.

This month the Girl Scouts of America celebrated their 38th anniversary. Troops in most parishes received Holy Communion in a body and programs commemorating the day were held.

St. Mary's Girl Scouts held a Day of Recollection last Tuesday. After the Mass, the Girl Scouts' Mothers club served breakfast to the scouts, leaders and assistants in Marquette hall, Michigan City. The next meeting of the club will be held April 12 at the home of Mrs. Norbert Hutmacher, 408 Dewey street.

St. Clare discussion group met last week at the home of Mrs. Henry Reichel. Mrs. Edward Mulcahy read from the "Family of Families," Mrs. Edward Dolemba read about the "Introit and Gloria" of the Holy Mass and Mrs. Paul Dolemba reported on Lent and its purposes and time.

Holy Week will be studied and discussed at the meeting to be held March 30.

A card and bunco party was held in St. Patrick's school hall, Chesterton, the evening of St. Patrick's day to commemorate the feast of the patron saint of the parish. The Rosary society sponsored the party. John L. Lindquist and Mrs. Herman Pleski were in charge.

Gary Deanery

Mrs. George Ribar

March 19 we had the opportunity to attend "Girl Scout Sunday" services at Holy Angels church. Approximately 300 scouts and leaders from Griffith, Crown Point, Hobart, New Chicago and Gary were in attendance.

The Rev. Albert Van Nevel welcomed the group and blessed the Girl Scout pins. The Rev. Stephen Vrabley, pastor of St. Emerie's church, gave the sermon. Recitation of the Girl Scout pledge and laws was followed by Benediction, of which Father Van Nevel was celebrant.

March 11 a program noting the birthday of Juliette Low founder of the Girl Scouts, was held at Holy Angela parish with several hundred scouts participating.

Mrs. Frank Pfister, deanery president, and Mrs. G. Fierebend, scout commissioner, were present. St. Mary's of the Lake, St. Jo-

seph's and the Gaby-Alerding Settlement House were represented. Both activities were under the direction of Mrs. Earl Slingsby, deanery Youth chairman.

At St. Mark's church we find Mrs. James Davis urging the membership to prepare layettes for the National Catholic Welfare Council. The drive for new baby clothes is for needy people in Europe. Members voted to donate \$10 to the Gary Community Chest. The Rev. John C. Witte is urging young people to religious vocations.

At a recent Sacred Heart Parent-Teachers association meeting, Sister Mary Alberta announced that 407 subscriptions to Catholic periodicals had been obtained. The Rev. Wencel Carp thanked members for the successful old clothes drive held recently.

Laughton To Star In 'Hour Of St. Francis'

Fort Wayne—A trip to Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis, with Charles Laughton as a special guide, is this week's episode of "The Hour of St. Francis," over Station WOWO at 9:45 p.m. Sunday, March 26.

The magic of Mr. Laughton's mellow voice paints a picture of a town that passing centuries have left untouched in the pleasant valley of Umbria. It is one of the dearest shrines of Christianity, for it was immortalized seven centuries ago because of its association with a little poor man the world has never been able to forget.

Prospective pilgrims to Rome, as well as those friends of St. Francis who must remain at home, will be fascinated by the description of the town which is the same today as it was when St. Francis called it home. Listeners will feel the spirit of St. Francis living in this episode of his program.

Retreat For Single Girls At South Bend

South Bend—Sponsored by the Young Ladies Sodalties of St. Matthew's Parish, a one day Spiritual Retreat will be held for all single girls of high school age and over, Sunday, March 26, and will be conducted by the Rev. Laurence G. Broestl, C.S.C., Rector of Alumni Hall, Notre Dame University.

The officers of the sodalties extend an invitation to all unmarried ladies of South Bend and vicinity who may care to make the Retreat. The retreat will open with the Young Ladies receiving Holy Communion at the 7:45 Mass, and then attending the three Conferences, Devotions and Way of the Cross in the afternoon beginning at 2 p.m. in St. Matthew's Church. The exercises of the day will close with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Mrs. Edward Adang To Be Installed As WCOF Leader

Fort Wayne — Mrs. Edward Adang will be installed as chief ranger of Antionette Court 870, Women's Catholic Order of Foresters, at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 26, at St. Paul's Church Auditorium. She was re-elected chief ranger at the annual election held last week.

Other officers to be installed are Mrs. Clem Hoevel, vice-chief ranger; Mrs. Ben Hoffman, recording secretary; Mrs. Herman Gerhardtstein, treasurer; Mrs. Edgar Ort, financial secretary; Mrs. Joseph Bir, Mrs. Louise Krings and Miss Nellie Russell, trustees; Mrs. George Sweeney, junior director.

Other officers include Mrs. Art Theismann and Mrs. George Klippel, conductors; Mrs. Mary Reitz and Mrs. Julia Horatman, sentinels; Mrs. Joseph Hammen, Mrs. Edward Delagrang and Mrs. Joseph Junk, Jr., auditors.

Mrs. Adang was elected delegate to the state convention here June 8, with Mrs. Gerhardtstein as alternate.

Third Order To Install Officers

Fort Wayne—Officers will be installed at the regular monthly meeting of the St. Charles fraternity of the Third Order of St.

Corporate Communion



Four-hundred Girl Scouts, leaders and NCCW diocesan and deanery leaders from Hammond, East Chicago and Whiting attended the corporate Communion March 12 in Sacred Heart church, Whiting. Rev. Herman Miller, pastor of Sacred Heart, presided at ceremony in which scouts renewed pledges.

NCCW officers who took a prominent part in the program include Mrs. James McShane, diocesan president; Mrs. Hubert Krizan, Hammond deanery president; Mrs. Tom Tobin, diocesan Youth chairman; and Mrs. Kramer Brandt, deanery Youth chairman. Breakfast was served by the Sacred Heart PTA.

(This photograph inadvertently appeared in last week's issue accompanied by an incorrect caption.—Ed.)

Voice Of NCCN

Michigan City—Catholic girls of the senior classes of the City schools were guests at a meeting of the Michigan City deanery council of the National Council of Catholic Nurses held at St. Anthony Hospital, March 16.

"Vocations" was the topic of the talk given by Sr. Amarillo, O.S.F. Sister gave a thorough description with the use of colored slides of the Sisters at play as well as at work and prayer in convent life at the Mother House.

Following the business meeting, presided over by president Mrs. Marguerite Skierkowski, extensive plans were discussed for the N.C.C.N. diocesan convention to be held in Michigan City May 20 and 21 in conjunction with the Michigan City deanery N.C.C.W. convention.

The next meeting of the group will be May 11.

Mishawaka Sodalties Set Recollection Day

Mishawaka — The sodalties of this city will attend a Day of Recollection in St. Joseph's Church, here, Sunday, April 2 beginning with the 7:45 a.m. Mass. The Rev. Joseph D. Nealy, C.S.C., instructor in Religion at the University of Notre Dame, will conduct the retreat. The conferences will deal with the three vocations in life.

General chairman, Jeanne Roebuck has appointed the following girls on her committee: Sally Chamberlain, St. Joseph's, publicity; Marion Boch, St. Monica's, Eleanor DeGeeter, St. Bavo's and correspondence; Gloria Badagnane, Joan Gaassins, St. Joseph's, Juanita Wachs, St. Joseph's, food; Theresa Ganser, St. Joseph's, and Delores DeMeester, St. Bavo's, literature.

Francis to be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 26, in St. Peter's church here. Officers are Mrs. John Brogan, prefect; Mrs. Rose Schenkel, vice-prefect; Mrs. William G. Philipp, corresponding secretary; Nellie Rhodes, recording secretary; Mrs. Helen Gerardo, treasurer; Henry Halsey, master of novices, and Mrs. Lorane Gierle, mistress of novices.

The Rev. Father Christan, O.F.M., Cap., will preside at the meeting.

D. Of I. Initiation

Gary—May 8 was set for initiation ceremonies in Bishop Neale Circle Daughters of Isabella, here, in the K. of C. club. Members of a recent meeting donated to the Lake County Crippled Children's Society and the Red Cross. The Circle plans to sponsor a Girl Scout campership this summer.



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Results Prove There's Only One Way To Rear Clean-Minded Youths

TWO things seem to be engrossing the attention of the American people today. They are:

1. The growth rather than the reduction of our national debt by billions of dollars every year.
2. The growth of juvenile delinquency and particularly of sex crimes.

We would have plenty of money with which to finance our post-war government if it were not for the \$15,000,000,000.00 annual crime bill the American people must pay.

We would have very little juvenile delinquency if, instead of teaching sex in the public schools, we could actually teach and explain the moral law.

There has been a great increase of sex offenses among teen-agers since the introduction of sex instruction into the classroom. Psychologically thinking, this is very natural. The mere imparting of knowledge does not cure anything. Our prisons are filled with well-educated men and women. Youth, reared without a conscience, is always daring, and will feel prompted to try out the knowledge which has excited his curiosity.

Whenever the local newspaper carries a story featuring rape, the entire community becomes aroused with indignation. But what youth needs to know is that misconduct, which does not come to the notice of the public is just as serious and sinful before God as that which does become known and is publicized. If youth had that kind of a conscience it would be just as hesitant to yield to any immoral conduct with which it could get away as it would if the public gaze were on it.

Certainly every wide-awake public official realizes that little is accomplished by dealing with symptoms. But he does not know how to approach the matter in any other way because, he says, religious and moral instruction may not be imparted in public education. This is why he, and others filling similar positions, feel powerless to correct the evil.

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Our Weekly Chat With You

Dear Readers...

IT does not require a keen mind to understand the generally accepted theory concerning the relation between Church and State. Catholic philosophers and theologians have written treatises on it in practically every century, and the late Pope Leo XIII defined the relationship in the clearest terms.

Even the Protestant churches today defend the same theory that the Catholic Church does, but some Protestant leaders are ever representing that the Catholic Church holds a different theory. Not only do they never cease proclaiming that the Catholic Church demands a union of Church and State, but they insist that Rome's program is to capture the government of every country, and to make it subservient to the Church. When this false teaching is honestly propagated it seems to arise from the erroneous impression conveyed by the term "Temporal Power."

Catholics understand by this term that the Pope, the head of an international organization, must needs be politically independent of the civil ruler of the country in which the supreme government of the Church has its seat. Americans particularly should readily grasp the need of such independence for the governing body of an international church, because the founders of our Republic saw the need of reserving a certain number of square miles for the Government of the United States, over

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Let's Arouse The Latent Moral Force That Does Exist

SOME years ago the late John Lancaster Spaulding, Bishop of the Diocese of Peoria, Illinois, made the following observation:

There is still left in the mass of the people a deep moral earnestness which, if it can be called into action, may lift the whole nation to higher and purer life. Our two great parties are the principal obstacle in the way of such a movement.

Since Bishop Spaulding's death, great changes have taken place in this nation, and practically all these changes have been detrimental to its moral life. But it is still true that if we could arouse into action the millions who still have faith in God, who believe that His laws should be observed, who would like to have their children protected against the ever-growing pernicious influence of evil literature and morality-weakening movies, the whole nation could be led to a "higher and purer life."

That is the purpose of our "Crusade for God," in which every Catholic believes, but to which most of them do not feel obligated to dedicate themselves.

The late Bishop Spaulding referred to the two great political parties as an obstacle in the way of the success of such a movement. What he meant was that the politician thinks only politically. He will not encourage any movement which will invite opposition among a large segment of his constituency. But more potent than the political parties would be the influence in the world of our State Department, of our President, if they aligned themselves, not by some passing remark, but by a persistent policy, with God and the moral law.

When the UN was formed some four years ago, the United States was in position to make or break the world. It held the money bag, and all small nations depended on it for their liberation and independence. When Russia objected to the opening of the first session of the United Nations with

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Author Converted On 'Road To Damascus'

MANY converts have told the story of their mental and spiritual struggles, patterns of philosophical inquiry that they have followed, their intellectual struggles and victories. Much of what they went through I would repeat here, if I felt able to tell the history of how I thought it out. But these intellectuals have rehearsed the history of such thinking much more explicitly than I have the skill and learning to do. Instead I shall tell a simpler history, concerned more with feeling and with action.

It began on the S.S. Roma one warm night when we were cruising from ancient Athens to the port of Haifa at the foot of Mount Carmel. On the upper deck I sat with my wife watching the ravishing spectacle of the stars over the Mediterranean. Idly we were talking of our plans for leaving the ship the next day.

A car would meet us at the dock in the morning and after sight-seeing in the Zionist settlements of the port city and a few hours on historic Carmel, we were to drive to Nazareth where Our Lord had lived with Mary and Joseph and then we would go on to the ancient city of Tiberias on the edge of the Sea of Galilee.

Suddenly I found my mind stirred with a strange nostalgia. All these names of Bible geography came trooping out of the attic of memory: names as familiar to my boyhood in Baltimore as Fort McHenry and Druid Hill Park—Nazareth! Capernaum! Bethlehem of Judea! Jerusalem! Calvary! These old memories of yesterday were to be realities of tomorrow.

Trod Christ's Paths

I think there is no travel experience comparable to a Christian's first visit to these hallowed places, even to one who felt he had put aside all religion, as had I. There was elevation wherever the eye would light. As the days passed, I was astonished to find how much

We continue today publication of the conversion stories contained in Father John A. O'Brien's book "The Road to Damascus," published by Doubleday. The book contains fifteen stories written by converts who are outstanding in the fields of literature, teaching, history, psychiatry, economics and politics. Today's story is by Fulton Oursler, senior editor of "Reader's Digest" and author of the radio program and book "The Greatest Story Ever Told." Mr. Oursler's story is continued from last week.

of the four Gospels had remained in my memory and how many of the texts I could quote.

The carpenter shop, the home of the Holy Family, touched my spirit with forgotten power. On the stony beach of the Galilean lake I looked around me, peopling the shore with

Peter and James and John. By the ruins of the Synagogue at Capernaum I stood wondering how the voice of the Master had sounded when it rang out here, commanding evil spirits to depart from a bedeviled young man, writhing on this very pavement. How could I

guess that even then the devils of doubt and indifferentism which were in me were also being commanded?

From the stable in Bethlehem to the hill of Calvary I went with a strange awareness of deepening concern, a heartache like the throbbing of an old wound that had never healed. While I was still not a believer upon departing from Judea, I had reached a point where I was wishing that the story was true. On our homeward voyage I started work on a new book which I called A Skeptic in the Holy Land.

Looking back on it now, I see it as an ignorant and impious work.

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IF YOU ARE ASKED:

What Is The Difference Between The Catholic And Protestant Clergy?

THE ANSWER IS...

YOU seem to want to know whether the Catholic and Protestant clergymen become different by the ordination each receives. Also whether certain duties are imposed on the former which are not imposed on the latter.

This question was answered many years ago by Samuel Laing, the Scottish Protestant author, in his "Notes of the Traveler." He pointed out that in the Catholic Church the clergy are a group, "set apart," as the Tribe of Levi was separated from the other eleven Tribes of Israel, and consecrated to God, with a demand on the part of God that their entire life and activity be

devoted to the furtherance of the interests of God. Samuel Laing wrote:

"In the Catholic Church the clergyman is more of a sacred character than it is possible to invest him with in our Protestant church, and more cut off from all worldly affairs. It is very up-hill work in the Church of England, and still more in the Church of Scotland for the clergyman to impress his flock with the persuasion that he is a better man and more able to instruct than any other equally pious and equally well educated man in the parish."

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A Thought For The Week

WOULD you be able to go before your fellows and ask the question Jesus asked of His enemies: "Which of you can convince Me of sin?"

While his bitterest enemies tried to discredit Christ before the people in every way, they never even attempted to charge Him with sin. It is true they accused Him of blasphemy because He declared that He was God; but if He was God, then He was not guilty of blasphemy.

He had, of course, accused the ecclesiastical leaders of that day—the Scribes and Pharisees—of hypocrisy, of being filled with sin, even though they outwardly observed the Mosaic Law. But He was God and was able to see their hearts. Their pride, and the jealousy with which they became filled because Christ had won the hearts of the people, led them to meet secretly and devise means of getting rid of Him. They succeeded only because He actually wanted to be "seized and mocked and scourged and to be put to death" for the sins of all people.

In the gospel of today Christ rebukes His hearers for rejecting His salutary message. He told them that they were not of God because they refused to hear the word of God. He said they were "of your father, the devil."

Do you listen attentively to the Sunday sermon as the word of God? Do you read the Bible in order to strengthen your faith? Do you ever turn to a spiritual book in order to be in communion with God? If you do none of these things, Christ's words apply to you, "you are of your father, the devil." His enemies, in turn, accused Him of having a devil to which He answered, "I have not a devil, but I honor My Father." Those who honor their Heavenly Father by prayer, by showing respect for His name and for everything holy, by observing all His Commandments, show that they are actually in opposition to the devil.

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Prompted by the widespread interest the Australian edition created among Protestants and Catholics alike, Radio Replies was revised for American readers into a dictionary of doctrine for the desk of the Family, the Student, the Shop Hand, the Office Worker, the Attorney, the Doctor, the Teacher and the Preacher.

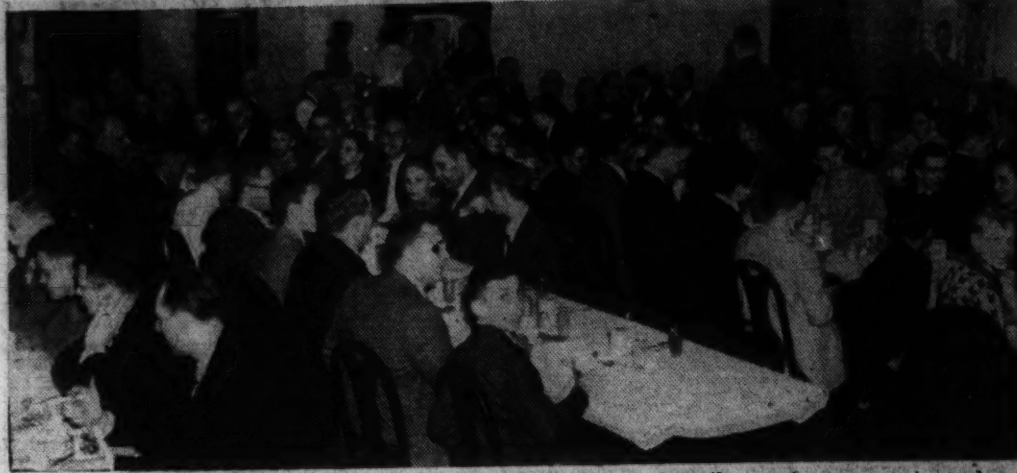
It is a textbook for the Confraternities of Christian Doctrine Classes and Study Clubs.

In the Preface, Msgr. Sheen writes: "There are not over a hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church. There are millions, however, who hate what they wrongly believe to be the Catholic Church—which is, of course, quite a different thing. As a matter of fact, if we Catholics believed all of the untruths and lies which were said against the Church, we probably would hate the Church a thousand times more than they do."

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South Bend Holy Name Attends Breakfast



Steven Tsalikis, probation officer of the St. Joseph county juvenile court, was guest speaker at a Communion breakfast meeting of the Holy Name society of St. Stanislaus parish, South Bend, March 12. The meeting was open to non-members of the society and sons. Other speakers were the Rev. Sigmund A. Jankowski, C.S.C., pastor, and the Rev. John Winiarski, C.S.C., society chaplain. Walter Szymkowiak was chairman of arrangements. Next meeting of the society will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, and the next Communion Sunday is scheduled for Easter Sunday.

Questions and Answers.

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Questions and Answers.

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Questions and Answers.

Ireland's great Saint Patrick! The date of his feast was March 17. You can always celebrate and read: The Deer Cry—William G. Schofield. A novel of the 5th century of which St. Patrick is the hero.

Birdie Steen—Anne Crone. Lord Dunsany, a lord of Irish letters, has written the introduction to this novel, the first work of an Irish schoolteacher.

The Parish and the Hill—Mary Doyle Curran. A warm and readable chronicle of the New England O'Sullivan and O'Connors.

Other books with an Irish background:

The Quiet Man, Patrick Purcell; Liffy Lane, Maura Laverty; Paradise Alley, John D. Sheridan; Our Own Kind, Edward McSorley; Irish Gold, Pamela Hinkinson; Story of the Irish Race, Seamus Mc Manus; My St. Patrick, Alan Buck; Shannon's Way, A. J. Cronin.

Library hours 2 until 5 every afternoon, 6:30 to 8 Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Hammond K.C. Bowlers Clinch Inter-Club Title

Gary—Hammond Unity council clinched championship honors in the first district Knights of Columbus Inter-Council 20-man team bowling loop by virtue of a decisive 112-pins victory, 9,897 to 9,785, over second-place Gary St. Thomas council at Hammond on March 11. John Massa's 591 for Gary and Frank Payka's 559 for Hammond paced the individual scoring in the match.

Whiting council, paced by Repay's nice 623 set on counts of 231, 166 and 226, defeated East Chicago Twin City at the Whiting Parkview Lanes by a hefty margin of 371 pins, 9,964 to 9,593. Glowacki's 590 set topped the East Chicago scoring.

Windup matches in this highly successful home-and-home series pit the unbeaten Hammond Unity council champions against Whiting at the Parkview Lanes on March 25. In their previous encounter Hammond came from behind to post a 21-pins victory over their home Unity alleys. Gary St. Thom-

as will be host to East Chicago Twin City council in the other finale.

Standings:	Won	Lost	Total Pins
Hammond	5	0	51,423
Gary	3	2	51,121
Whiting	2	3	50,338
East Chicago	0	5	49,516

Columbian Squires Organized By LaPorte K.C.

LaPorte—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Columbian Squires, an organization of boys between the ages of 14 and 18, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus throughout the United States was noted here March 19.

The first circle of this organization established 25 years ago, was organized in South Bend and since then, the movement spread throughout the United States and Canada. In helping to commemorate the Silver Anniversary of the organization, a circle was organized in La Porte, Sunday, with 20 charter members sponsored by the La Porte Council Knights of Columbus, according to Larry Striegel the local Grand Knight.

Vern C. Schranz, Chief Counsellor of the South Bend circle, who was instrumental in organizing the circle 25 years ago, was here to direct the charter ceremonies. Other counsellors from South Bend who accompanied him were Sir Knight Julius DeFreeuw, Robert A. Brown, Frank Millea, Homer Moon, and Professor John Hritz from Notre Dame University.

The degree team conducting the initiation consisted of 15 squires from the South Bend circle under the direction of Chief Squire Richard Robison.

Local counsellors who are directly responsible for the program to be conducted by the squires, as appointed by Mr. Striegel, are Ray Broviak, Chief Counsellor; John Chambers, William Harrison, James Duffy, C. R. Fitzsimmons and Joseph Scholl.

The ceremonies commenced with corporate Communion at the 8:30 Mass at St. Peter's Church, participated in by 100 members of the local council of Knights of Columbus and the 20 boys to be initiated. This was followed by breakfast in the K. of C. Clubrooms served by the Daughters of Isabella, after which, the initiatory services were conducted.

Msgr. Sullivan Explains Source Of Faith To NCCM

Gary — "The source of our Faith," was the theme of the sermon the Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Holy Angel parish, gave at the 90th Holy Hour in the Spiritual Crusade of the Gary Deanery Council of the National Council of Catholic Men, Sunday, March 19, at Holy Angel's Church.

Msgr. Sullivan pointed out that Catholics derive their religion from two sources: "Sacred Scripture" and "Tradition." He then, explained the meaning of the "Inspired Word of God," and its interpretation by a living and divine authority the Vicar of Christ on earth.

It was noted that about 25 percent more men attended this Holy Hour devotions than usual, and the NCCM hopes the increase will continue until all available men in the Gary Deanery will attend.

The annual election of deanery officers was held after the Holy Hour devotions in Holy Angel parish hall. The following men were elected to guide the deanery council for the ensuing year: Peter Billick, St. Michael, president; George Michael, St. Mark, vice president; J. Vaughan, Holy Trinity, secretary; John Humenik, Holy Trinity, treasurer; and Robert J. Smith, St. Monica, auditor.

The next Holy Hour will be held at St. Luke's Church, Sunday, April 16, at 2:45 p.m.

K.C. Recollection Day At Whiting Announced

Whiting—A Day of Recollection for members of Whiting Knights of Columbus council 1696 will be held in St. John church Sunday, March 26.

The day will begin with a Mass at 9 a. m. at which members will receive Holy Communion.

A breakfast in Benedict hall will follow the Mass. A brief program is scheduled at the breakfast.

Afternoon services will begin at 1 p. m. "Question-Box-Time" will be held from 2:15 p. m. until shortly before 3 p. m.

Principal speaker at the Day of Recollection will be the Rev. Edward Homco, C.P.P.S., council chaplain, who with Stanley F. Dudnik, council Catholic Activities chairman, arranged the special services.

A Holy Hour from 3 p. m. to 4 p. m. will conclude the services.

Scholarship Test Set For March 25

Fort Wayne—Central Catholic High School students will be eligible to compete for the Indiana Technical College scholarships for 1950-51. The tests will be given at 9 a. m. Saturday, March 25, at Central High School.

Five scholarships will be awarded, one to a student from each of the local high schools. College officials said each scholarship is valued at \$300, covering tuition for three years. The winners will be selected on the basis of the competitive examinations, academic record, character, leadership and engineering aptitude.

St. Adalbert Convert Class



Pictured are 12 converts who received their first Holy Communion in St. Adalbert's Church, South Bend, March 19. They were baptized on March 18 following five months of instruction by the Rev. Thomas L. Depe, parish assistant. The Legion of Mary assisted in the program. The group were guests of the St. Joseph Young Men's Society's annual Communion breakfast and heard Stephen Orszag deliver an address on Our Lady of Fatima. Left to right: Father Depe, Father Jennings, John Jennings, Paul Jennings, Gary Jennings, John Jennings, Josephine Metz, Edward Jennings, James Jennings, Ray Lumbert, Myron Radtke, John Gilmere and George Metz.

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RIGHT or WRONG

Editors' views on current events and others' comments

Catholic Position Is Consistent

RELIGIOUS News Service, March 11, comments on the recent decree of the Vatican dealing with "reunion discussions." It reports that the decree is encouraging insofar as it favors joint discussions between Catholics and non-Catholics on social and moral questions, and cooperation against anti-religious movements, but disappointing insofar as it forbids participation of Catholics with non-Catholics to discuss the "reunion movement," except under the direction of the local Bishop—if the discussion be local.

The Catholic position with regard to reunion is a most consistent one, as one will agree who understands the Catholic concept of the Church. Catholics believe that in Christ's mind, and in accordance with the teaching of the Apostles and their early successors, in ac-

cordance with the decisions of the General Councils of the Church—and therefore in accordance with history—the Church was to be one throughout the world, a universal Kingdom, a sheepfold under one Shepherd. In other words, Catholics believe that there was to be unity of faith and not merely union among many groups whose teaching is quite discordant in matters of faith.

Unity suggests a center of unity, an identical authority recognized by all.

The Catholic Church certainly has no objection to the several hundred Protestant sects getting together even on a "union" or "co-operation" basis. But the universal Church cannot merge with the others by compromising on matters which she knows to have been universally held by Christians, when there was "one Church."

Most differences between Catholics and non-Catholics are not due to ill will, but to misunderstandings.

Christ Is King

Christ frequently referred to His Church as a Kingdom, which was to embrace all nations. Even in the Old Law it was predicted that the Messiah would be a King. Hardly had He been born when the Magi came looking for him as "the new born King." The Jews thought of His coming as a temporal king, Who would liberate them from the domination by their enemies. Was He not accused of declaring Himself to be a king? And did He not answer "Yes" to Pilate's question "Art Thou a King?"

But He declared that His Kingdom was not "of" this world. It was to be, therefore, a spiritual Kingdom, and, because He would be the Founder of it, a "divine" kingdom, a "supernatural" kingdom. If Christ's Church was to be such a kingdom, then it could have no rivals, because no human being would ever be capable of founding anything divine or supernatural.

If, centuries later, there were schisms from this kingdom or there were instituted other religious bodies, self-constituted and human, they could not be on a par with the original and one Church of Christ. Those who broke away from the one universal kingdom, could have unity with it only by coming back, just as the states in our country which, before the Civil War, seceded, could have unity with the rest of the nation only by "coming back."

To a Catholic all this sounds axiomatic. If, to others, it sounds intolerant it is only because they think that the Catholics should have the same concept of God's Church as others have. It the Catholic concept be correct—and history testifies that it is—then its truth should not yield to error for the sake of expediency.

No Intolerance

It is unfair to call the Catholic Church intolerant because it will not compromise with what it honestly believes to be error. You would not say that the mathematician is intolerant because he will not condone a change in the multiplication table. You would not call the historian intolerant who would not compromise with the one who still believes that the sun moves and the earth stands still.

In our international relations we have gotten into all sorts of trouble by compromising, by being tolerant of things in which we do not believe, merely for the purpose of getting along better.



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Last night at the Commercial Club I started asking Father Bowen some questions. He's our chaplain... a regular fellow. I'll see him again this week.

He has some books I want to borrow...

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The Catholic Church would like to see every believer in God pull together against the promoters of atheism, of infidelity. The Catholic Church would like to have a united Christendom with Christ as King, and, as a common front, oppose the aggression of anti-Christ. The Catholic Church wishes there were not so many divisions among Christians, because they are a scandal to the unchurched; they are the chief cause of indifference towards all religion.

But the Catholic Church may not do what Christ Himself would not do. His last words to the Apostles contained a mandate that those who joined them "must observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Catholics believe that there are many things which Christ taught which modern religions do not teach. They are things supported by stronger Bible proof than most others. The Catholic diary itself points to the universal use of the Mass from the first century on. Any visitor to the Catacombs under Rome will find many evidences of that.

That the seven Sacraments were in use among the early Christians is clear from the Monophysites who severed themselves from the Catholic Church 1500 years ago. There are still 1,000,000 of them remaining in Egypt. The Orthodox Churches have all these seven Sacraments because they have valid Apostolic succession. The Catholic Church has regarded that as paramount. It is not deemed important by modern churches. But isn't the chief reason why Apostolic succession is so regarded as important, the fact that modern churches could not have it after they broke the chain which connects the present with the Apostles?

concept of the Church of Christ as Catholics have, they would not charge her with intolerance, they would rather give her credit for a consistency which should be universally applauded.

Political Meddling

THE extent to which error is accepted as truth merely because it is not denied as frequently as asserted is so noticeable to Catholics in the matter of "political meddling." The Catholic Hierarchy is accused of being "political." When our enemies are asked to prove their charge, they cannot think of a single actual instance. They may point to the opposition of Cardinal Spellman to the Bardeen Bill, but that happened only after an organized group of enemies of the Church had collaborated in the production of a Bill designed to keep any auxiliary service from children who attend others than public schools.

But during the past couple of months we have read of conventions held by representatives of the Federal Council of Churches, by Methodists, by Baptists, and now by Episcopalians, in which they give all kinds of advice to President Truman and to Congress. We doubt whether that has ever happened once in the past century in the Catholic Church. The Catholic Hierarchy never even concerned itself about the candidacy of Al Smith, a Catholic, who was being opposed by many Protestant clergymen on the sole score of his religion.

Only a couple of weeks ago the Episcopal League, an official Episcopal agency comprised of clergy and laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, meeting in New York, passed a number of political resolutions, even one con-

commending the recognition of the new Communist regime in China, and the opening up of "trade relations with the Peoples' Government," but "no financial or military assistance be extended to the Kuomintang."

In another Resolution they put after the President of the United States for his decision to manufacture the hydrogen bomb.

We mention these resolutions only because they are the latest. But hardly a convention has been held by Protestant organizations this last year which did not pass political resolutions or offer political advice to our statesmen—yet just such clergymen accuse the Catholic Bishops of "political meddling."

Let's Arouse The Latent Moral Force That Exists

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prayer, we should have insisted that God be recognized and His assistance actually implored by delegates. The whole world would have been heartened by such action, because it had lost a little faith in the Washington administration through the too many compromises made during the war with Stalin.

Opportunity Missed

Another golden opportunity was missed a few months ago when the United States agreed to the elimination of God's name from a Charter of Human Rights sponsored under the auspices of that body.

God clearly told Noah why He was sending the deluge to destroy almost the entire human race. After that destruction God solemnly promised that He would never again destroy mankind in that particular manner. But He is the same God unalterably set against evil, and would not be God if His attitude towards His rejection could be changed.

There are other ways of destroying the population of the world today, and of humiliating a proud nation like our own. But the surest means of averting our destruction is not chiefly by becoming "prepared" by larger and better armaments to defeat another nation, but rather by turning to God. The government is not fair in depending on the churches to do this, because more than one-half of the population of the nation is wholly outside the influence of the churches. While the State may not align itself with any particular religious body, it can and it must work for the interests of God and religion.

That thought runs through all the public writings of Abraham Lincoln. It should be expressed with great frequency by our statesmen, by the editors of our dailies, by the publishers of magazines of wide circulation—and it should be encouraged by those who write scripts for our movies and radio programs.

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Father Conroy Talking

On Thin Ice

FATHER NEIL O'CONNOR, editor of The Catholic Weekly, Saginaw, Michigan has taken up the discussion of "suggestive tunes" which have been the subject of our columns for the past few weeks. We think his remarks are apropos of our own and would like to bring them to your attention. Father O'Connor writes:

The poet Shelley once wrote: "Most wretched men . . . learn in suffering what they teach in song."

It would be rash to say that modern song writers learn in sin what they teach in all the lewd and sensual songs they push on the American public. But it is hardly rash to say that the people who write the lyrics and scores of a lot of the stuff we hear know exactly what they are doing.

Sing A Song Of Six-Pence

Just trying to earn an honest buck, they are. That's all. But if we are honest with ourselves we must say that a lot of the popular songs are written for the simple purpose of arousing impure feelings and desires.

And the fact that they are "popular" songs indicate that a lot of people are falling right in line with their purpose. Let's face the facts! Much modern music is an occasion of sin for a lot of people. It's a disgrace to Christian sensibility. We have a duty to recognize and get rid of this evil.

We have a Legion of Decency to help raise the standards of the movie industry. Perhaps we need one to get the song business up to a human level.

But in the absence of such an organization we suggest that every Catholic make himself a committee of one to criticize every popular song that comes his way. Here's what you must do:

- 1) Don't be taken in. Just because you hear a song on the radio doesn't mean that it's fit for human consumption. Be critical. Don't be taken in.
- 2) Don't sing sensual or suggestive songs, or songs which convey false ideas of love and marriage. Truth and goodness have a hard enough time as it is without setting wickedness to music.
- 3) Don't get the idea that you are unaffected by immoral music. You may think you are, but you are only fooling yourself.
- 4) Don't buy immoral songs; either as sheet music or as discs.
- 5) Don't "send in your request" for a bad song. Ask for good music instead. We get just the kind of radio programming we deserve.
- 6) Don't be uncritical. "Save yourselves from this perverse generation."

Most people think singing commercials are a big joke. But the devil has his own singing commercials, and the joke is on us if we don't realize that a lot of the songs we hear are right down this (tin pan) alley.

We may suggest to our Catholic High School students a project—an organized critical study of the popular song in order to raise the moral-musical level of Catholic youth.

Good Example Of N.D. Football Players Won Rockne To Church

NEXT Friday, March 31, is the 19th anniversary of the tragic death of Knute Rockne. Even our youngest readers know that Rockne was the coach of the Notre Dame football team. He was the hero of the nation. Along with his close friend Will Rogers, Rockne was loved and respected by all.

As a coach Rockne exerted a great deal of influence on his players. But comparatively few knew or realized what influence his players exerted on him.

As a student and athlete at Notre Dame and later as coach, Rockne was not a Catholic. He was converted only a few years before his death. Writing of his conversion he gave full credit to the good example of his football players. The story in his own words follows:

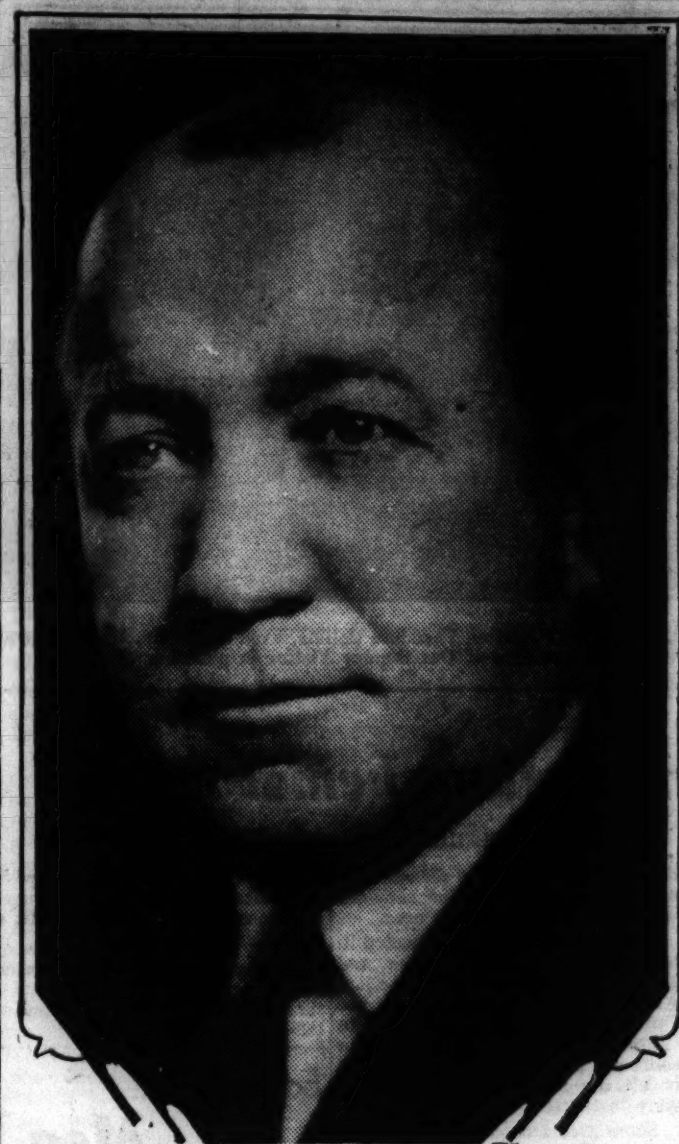
"I used to be impressed at the sight of my players receiving Holy Communion every morning. Finally I made it a point to go to Mass with them on the morning of the game. I realized that it appeared more or less incongruous when we arrived in town for a game, for the general public to see my boys rushing off to church as soon as they got off the train, while their coach rode to the hotel and took his ease. So for the sake of appearance, if nothing else, I made it a point to go to church with the boys on the morning of a game.

"One night before a big game in the east, I was nervous and worried about the outcome of the game the next day and was unable to sleep. I tossed and rolled about the bed and finally decided that I'd get up and dress, then go down to the lobby. I took a chair and tried to get that football game off my mind by engaging some bellboys in conversation.

"Along about five or six in the morning, I started pacing the lobby of the hotel. Suddenly I ran into two of my own players hurrying out. I asked one of them where they were going at such an hour, although I had a good idea. Then I retired to a chair in the lobby where I couldn't be seen, but where I could see everyone who went out of the door. Within the next few minutes, my players kept hurrying out of the door in pairs or groups. Finally, when they were about all gone, I got near the door so I could question the next player who came along.

"In a minute or two, the last of the squad hurried out of the elevator and made for the door. I stopped them and asked them if they, too, were going to Mass, and they replied that they were. I decided to go along with them.

"Although they probably did not realize it, these youngsters were making a powerful impression on me with their piety and devotion. When I saw all of them walking to



COACH ROCKNE

the Communion rail to receive, and realized the several hours of sleep they had sacrificed in order to do this, I understood for the first time what a powerful ally their religion was to those boys in their work on the football field. Then it was that I really began to see the light; to know what was missing in my life. Later on I had the great pleasure of joining my boys at the Communion rail."

Important Feast Of March 31

Seven Sorrows Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

LOUIS C. FINK

BECAUSE the feast comes just a week before Good Friday, we may overlook the commemoration of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast we observe on March 31st. Just a week before, the Church has reminded us of the Annunciation, when Mary was told the happy news that she was to be the Mother of God. Happy news that must have been to the young girl, but

what a forerunner of the sadness she was to experience!

Sometimes we forget that Jesus was human, and suffered as a man. But we can never forget that Mary had only one nature, the human nature. Her sufferings were greater than any other mother has been asked to bear. In the Seven Sorrows, we remember her sufferings, and that memory brings us closer to the Mother of God.

The seven Sorrows, or Dolors, are these:

- The Prophecy of Simeon
- The Flight into Egypt
- The Loss of Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem
- Meeting Jesus on the Way to Calvary
- The Crucifixion
- Removal of the Sacred Body from the Cross
- The Burial of Jesus

In the Gospel of St. Luke, the doctor and painter, we read of the first great sorrow, the prophecy of Simeon. The latter was an old and devout man, who had been promised that he would not die before he saw his Saviour. When he saw Jesus in the temple, he blessed Joseph and Mary, and said to them, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and for the rise of many in Israel, and for a sign that shall be contradicted." Then he turned to Mary and added ominously, "And thy own soul a sword shall pierce, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Source Of Grace

Thus began Mary's suffering. Thus did she begin her life of sorrow mingled with joy, and thus also did she begin to accumulate all those graces which are available to us if we but ask her. Mary's suffering was not a vain and useless thing. It was designed to help us. All we must do is unite our own sufferings with those of Mary

and her Divine Son's, and offer them all up for the same cause.

Mary was still a very young mother when Joseph was warned that Herod had designs on their Son, and she must make the trip to Egypt. History does not tell us where the little family went, but the nearest spot in Egypt to which they could have fled meant a 10-day journey.

The physical discomfort and fear of that trip gave way to a different kind of sorrow when Jesus was 12 years old. Then His parents, through a misunderstanding, lost track of Him for several days. The other day our neighbors were distracted because their child had been missing for three hours. They knew he could not have gone far nor got into any serious difficulties in a modern city. But imagine the anguish of Mary when her Divine Son was lost, and the way she must have blamed herself for losing her precious charge.

The other great Sorrows of Mary are concerned with the suffering of Christ, the Crucifixion which we are to commemorate, in a few days. She was to meet her Son on the way to Calvary, and to realize her helplessness at the suffering of her only Son.

Then she was to stand there as He gave up His life on the Cross, as His body was taken down and the cruel nails removed, and finally as He was buried. No mother has

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Catholic Words And Terms

REV. RUDOLPH G. BANDAS

Imitation of Christ—A devotional treatise sometimes called "The Following of Christ," published in 1418 and generally attributed to Thomas a Kempis. It is a series of counsels of perfection in four books.

Immaculate Conception—The doctrine that the creation of Mary's soul, its adornment by sanctifying grace, and its infusion into Mary's body, were all simultaneous. In other words, Mary's soul was never for a moment without sanctifying grace, never for an instant without original sin.

Immersion—Method of Baptism employed in the early Church, by completely immersing the candidate into water. It is still considered as valid Baptism, but it is no longer used in the Western Church.

Immortality—The survival of the soul after its separation from the body at death and its continued conscious existence for all eternity.

Immovable Feasts—Feasts which are assigned to a certain day in the month, such as the feasts of the different saints.

Impassibility—The immortality of the body and its permanent freedom from all sufferings and afflictions.

Impeccability—Sinlessness; Christ was sinless because the Person which worked through His human will was divine, and a divine Person cannot sin; Mary was sinless because she had a "fullness of grace."

Impediments (to marriage)—Obstacles which render a marriage unlawful or invalid.

Imposition of Hands—An action denoting the conferring of a blessing, power or grace. It is an essential part of the Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Orders, and is also used in administering the Sacraments of Extreme Unction and Baptism, in several blessings, and in the Consecration of the Mass.

Impotency—A physical inability to carry out the marriage act. If it exists before the marriage and is incurable, it makes the marriage invalid. Sterility, however, is not an impediment to marriage.

The definitions of Catholic words and terms given here are available in booklet form. Order for home or classroom use "A Catholic Word" list. It's 20¢ per copy, O.S.V. Press.

What Is The Difference Between Catholic And Protestant Clergy?

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The Protestant clergyman, as Laing saw him, has "the cares of a family, of housekeeping, of a glebe in Scotland, of tithe in England, and in short, the business and toils, the motives of action, and objects of interest that other men have."

Laing continues:

"In the Roman Catholic Church it is altogether different and produces totally different results. The clergyman is entirely separated from individual interest or worldly objective of ordinary living, by his celibacy... The Catholic, who receives the elements of transubstantiation by the consecration, requires very naturally and properly that the priests should be a sanctified class, removed from human impurity, contamination of sensual lust, as well as from all worldly affairs, as far as human nature can be."

They Have Been 'Chosen'

Then Laing points out that nothing hurts the Protestant churches more than for preachers to make false accusations against the Catholic clergy, because he writes:

"In this traveling age the youth of their congregations must often come in contact abroad with the Catholic clergy so described. Finding them in learning, liberal views and genuine piety so very different from the description and describers, there will unavoidably arise comparison by no means edifying or flattering to their clerical teachers at home."

Does not St. Paul tell us that the clergy are "set apart"? Does not Christ say of His Apostles: "You have been chosen out of the world"?

All Protestants regard St. Paul as the ideal clergyman. He was pious and zealous for the promotion of God's interests. Yet they seldom quote the advice he gives to other clergymen when he writes (1 Cor. VII, 32-33):

"He that is without a wife is solicitous for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please God. But he that is with a wife is solicitous for the things of the world, how he may please his wife; and he is divided."

The clergyman is supposed to be the server of the people placed under his charge. That means, in the Catholic Church, that his time is their's day or night. He must risk his life to wait on them in their dying moments, whether they be afflicted with smallpox, or, as in the past, yellow fever, scarlet fever or any other contagious disease. If the Catholic priest had the burden of a family to carry, especially when its members were seriously sick, he could not attend to other personal spiritual obligations which his office places on him under pain of sin, such as the daily recitation of the Divine Office, which consumes a whole hour of his time.

No Part Time Job

The average Protestant clergyman serves in his parish church only on Sunday and, let us say, on one week-day evening. The Catholic priest offers his Mass in the parish church every morning of the year, and it is usually preceded by a half hour of spiritual preparation. In large parishes he is in the confessional every day; and is busy every night instructing those who apply to him for reception into the Church.

A person is received into the average Protestant religious body without any previous instruction, other than that which may dispose him to "accept Christ as his Savior." Although many non-Catholics labor under the impression that non-Catholics are received into the Catholic Church with this same facility, it is not at all true. They usually receive instructions about twice a week for a period of several months, and they would not even be received for Baptism unless they assured the priest that they accept

voluntarily, without any coercion, the full Catholic teaching explained to them.

Why are there differences between the Catholic and Protestant clergyman? The former are ordained through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, by a Bishop who not only claims, but can prove, his succession from the original Apostolic body. Protestant ordination ceremonies cannot confer anything more than a human commission; that is a commission which can be traced only to a human founder.

The Catholic priest is legitimately commissioned to do what Christ asked His Apostles to do at the Last Supper; to do what He asked His Apostles to do on the day of His Resurrection; and as He asked them—and those who are their successors—to do as He ascended into Heaven.

The Protestant clergyman may give up his clerical profession for a business life, but a priest is "a priest forever."

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O.S.V. In Japan

Editor:

I SHALL begin this letter with telling you that I happened to find a copy of the Our Sunday Visitor edition of 4th December 1949, which kept me awake until I read all the pages with an English-Japanese Dictionary in my hand.

Life Of Christ, Prayers Put On Records

IN the Spring of 1947, three young men who had come back from World War II, sponsored a plan that dramatized the life of Christ with music on records. Leading Catholic clergymen greeted the idea with freely expressed satisfaction. It captured the interest and enthusiasm of children and adults alike—and now, some two thousand Catholic schools and other institutions have become subscribers along with thousands of private families.

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An advertisement for the Catholic Children's Record Club appears on page 3 of this issue.

And, when I came to the end. I was very much interested in the contents of the paper so far as to think of seeing the next edition. But when I came to this point, I found out that there is not a means of getting Our Sunday Visitor over here in Japan. So I am writing this letter to ask you a favor. Is it possible for you to find someone who can enter a subscription of Our Sunday Visitor for me? I shall be very much delighted if it visits me across the Pacific Ocean. If I can come to receive it, I shall circulate it and have my English understanding friends read it.

I am a 19-year-old Japanese. I am working at the Office of the Quartermaster, Headquarters Eighth United States Army, at Yokohama during daytime as a messenger. In night time, from 5:30 to 9:10, I go to the University of Kanakawa, where I study in Law and Politics.

Hoping and waiting for a good answer from you, I remain,
Masashi Iwanaga,
45th Nakao-dai, Naka-ku
Yokohama, Japan.

'In God We Trust'

Editor:

THERE is a bill in Congress to make 7½ and 2½ cent coins. A group of us here in the Chicago area are anxious to see the words "In God We Trust" not only on these coins, but on all paper money and government bonds. Someone left these words off the Buffalo Nickel.

The communists are only too anxious to erase God and have him forgotten. Do you know of a better place to have the name of God printed than on our paper money which is being handled every second of time in some country somewhere.

I would greatly appreciate your cooperation in using the pages of your wonderful paper to further this undertaking. If you will suggest to your subscribers to write to their senators and congressmen, I am sure you will be able to do a great deal of good.

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Gospel Story

'Why Won't You Marry Me?'

ALBERTA SCHUMACHER

"WHY won't you marry me, Joan?" Harold Medford pleaded. "I know I'm not exciting or anything like that, but I am steady and dependable. That is what it takes to make a good husband."

"I'm sorry," Joan said gently, regret shadowing her blue eyes. "I do like you a lot, Harold, but there is more to being a good husband than being steady and dependable."

"Does that mean there isn't a chance for me—ever?" Harold asked, misery showing plainly on his face.

"Harold," Joan said impulsively, "get rid of your fear of life and—maybe—"

"Then there is a chance!" Harold exclaimed.

"If," Joan reminded, "you get rid of your fear of life!"

Harold's optimistic feeling didn't last. When he was alone in his room at Bridget Flynn's boarding house, he realized what a big hurdle it was he must leap. Joan called his problem "fear of life." Harold knew it was really fear of death! It affected all of his daily activities, fading the color and glow from everything.

He was a fanatically careful driver, never exceeding 40 miles an hour, giving hand signals with scrupulous care, and yet—he had more small mishaps with a car than the most reckless drivers among his friends. Why? Because he went to pieces in situations that called for quick, calm thinking. He lost his nerve! He was afraid!

His fear kept him from lots of fun enjoyed by the others. He feared water. What meant cool, pleas-

ant relaxation to others only called to mind death by drowning to him. No wonder Joan won't marry me, under the circumstances, Harold groaned.

He wondered how many dates he had broken because of trivial discomforts. It was surprising that Joan still dated him. He was a regular baby when he got a snuffle or an ache, always thinking he might be coming down with something fatal. And yet—she had said maybe—she must like him in some ways.

Jesus Had The Answer

Fear of death. He had to overcome it, and so change his personality. He looked at himself in the mirror. He didn't look timid. He looked perfectly normal—big, healthy, and not too bad looking, he thought, grinning at his reflection. He decided to talk to Mrs. Flynn about it. All the boarders took their troubles to widowed Bridget Flynn. Her boarding house was really a home, and she seemed more mother than landlady to the young men who lived there.

Harold found Bridget in the kitchen. Sitting, with his elbows on the table, his brown hair rumpled, he told her his "troubles." "So you see, it is really a fear of death that keeps me from being the kind of personality Joan wants in a husband..." he concluded.

"Fear of death, eh?" Bridget's intense gray eyes grew thoughtful. "Jesus had the answer to that, Harold. Remember His words, 'Amen, amen, I say to you if anyone keep my word he will never see death.' The death of our earth-

ly bodies is only the step that must be taken to everlasting life for those who die in Jesus. Hmmm, you sound almost as if you might have a guilt complex, but you go to Communion regularly. I see you myself. It couldn't be that... or could it?" she asked sharply, her eyes on Harold's face. "Come on, my boy, out with it!"

Harold found himself telling Bridget Flynn what he had not been man enough to discuss with Father Marsh. "It happened when I was still in school," he said. "I was ashamed to say the word that really described my sin. I—I kind of glossed it over in the confessional. I'm afraid..."

Bridget put both plump hands on his shoulders and shook him gently. "No wonder you are fearful of dying, with a load of worry and doubt weighin' you down! To think you went all this time not knowin' for sure how you stood. Why, boy, I would be scared to get out of my bed if I didn't know for sure the Lord was on my side... Now, are you going to call Father, or am I?"

"I—I'll call him," Harold said. "I didn't realize before that that

was all of my trouble—I guess I wouldn't let myself face facts..."

Four weeks later Harold and Joan were driving home from dinner and a show in nearby Dayton. "Harold," Joan protested, "let up on that accelerator!"

"Sorry," Harold said, slowing down slightly. "I'm in a hurry to tell Bridget Flynn the good news. I owe a lot to that woman. In a way, it was through her that you said 'yes' tonight..."

"Let me see now," Joan said with pretended suspicion, "just how old is this Bridget Flynn widow you're so keen about? Is she pretty?"

Harold laughed. "She's beautiful, darling, absolutely beautiful, even if she does wear her hair in curl papers most of the time, and weighs 200 pounds to boot. You'll love her."

"I'm sure I shall," Joan said seriously. "She really got to the bottom of your fear of life, and helped you get rid of it."

"Fear of death," Harold corrected.

"In a way they are both the same," Joan said. "Married people

can't afford to fear either, because they are going into a great adventure with God to bring new life into the world!"



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For The Children

Chats Out Of Church

FATHER RAY GRIBBIN

Hello Girls and Boys!

TODAY I want to talk about a statue, at least for a minute.

I'm sure you have seen it. This statue is the one that has the Infant Jesus holding a ball in His hands. That ball is really meant to be the earth. Remember it? Well then let me ask a question about it. Why do you think the Infant has the earth in His hands? Isn't it because the man who made the statue wanted to show that it was Jesus who made the earth?

I think that that is the reason. Of course, when we say the Creed we say, "I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and of earth..." But because Our Lord is God we can say that "Our Lord, or Jesus, made the earth," so the idea behind the statue is true. Our Lord is the creator of the earth.

Last week I told you that a creator is someone who makes something out of nothing. That means that God made the earth out of nothing. But just how much does the Creed mean by that word "earth"? Well, it certainly means the land: ground, mountains, and plains; the dust in the sunlight, and the things that men get from under the ground, like coal, and oil, and metal. It means the water too: oceans, lakes, rivers, streams, dew, and snow, and rain. It means flowers, trees, potatoes, peanuts, and all the things that grow from the earth. It means dogs, and birds, and elephants, and insects; it means fish, and whales, and oysters, and all the living things in the water. It means men and ladies, girls and boys. God made all of them out of NOTHING!

But is that all? It is surely enough, isn't it? And yet even these things are not all. When our prayer says that God is the creator of earth it means that He created the sky too: the big and burning sun, the chilly looking moon, the little stars that we know are really bigger than our earth, the planets that shine but do not wink, the "shooting stars" that drop, sometimes, and go out like angels' matches. It is God who put the blue up there. It is God who sends the clouds across. It is God who did it all, who made it all—out of nothing!

To me all this means just one thing: God must be terribly strong, and terribly powerful. He must be able to see me always, to hear all I say, to answer all my prayers. So you see, I'm glad I believe. I'm glad that you and I both "believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and of earth..."

Men Wanted

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lucidated. Into every subject the Catholic attitude can be similarly infused. Individual cases of misconception and doubt on the part of a pupil are usually taken care of by the confessor. Thus by coordinating the gifts of parish and school the maturing Catholic establishes a sound basis of thinking and living.

This final step, that of coordination and application, rests squarely upon the young Catholic's shoulders. No one can do this for him. Many times it won't be easy to do what he knows is right. At a time when the choice between Love and

Seven Sorrows Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

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ever witnessed such pitiable scenes, made all the more sorrowful because of the knowledge within her that He was doing this voluntarily, for a world that did not yet love Him.

Let's Join Mary

Mary in Heaven must wish with all her heart that the end of Jesus' suffering will be achieved; that peace will come to the world as all men accept Him as their Saviour. This Friday, March 31st, will be a good time to pray to Mary for just such a purpose.

In many churches, there is held the pious devotion of Mary, the Mother of Sorrows, every Friday, when special prayers are said. The parishioners follow the Via Matris, the Stations of the Cross of Our Sorrowful Mother. These Stations may be placed in any church with the proper approval.

The Order of the Servants of Mary (Servites), founded in 1233 by seven young men of Florence, Italy, is especially devoted to a veneration of the Seven Dolors. Their motherhouse is in Rome, but they have continued their good work of teaching and spreading the Gospel in this country, especially in the Southwest and West.

There are many occasions and many ways in which we can give honor to Mary. Not the least of these times is her Feast of the Seven Sorrows. In a way, Mary's suffering was her great achievement. It should be to us an inspiration and an opportunity to pray. If we join with her in humble acceptance of sorrow, she will remember us.

laxity is difficult sheer "guts" will be needed. The attainment of the necessary manliness should be the objective of all young Catholics. This is true maturity, the eternal goal of youth.

He Could Add, Anyway

He is, come to think of it, a kind of Grimm-fairy-tale kid—amusing, abstracted and likely to turn up with anything. The other day his mother sent him to the store to buy a spool of number-40 white thread. He came back with two spools. The store was out of number-40 thread, so he bought two spools of number-20 thread.—Fr. D. A. Lord, S.J.

When a Miss MacArthur was unable to show up for work on her job with a Milwaukee investment firm, she sent in her place a cousin, a Miss Douglas.



"Certainly, I'm a Catholic!"

That's how Thomas McDermott, successful young lawyer, replies to questions about his religion and it is the assured answer you, too, will give after you have read his stimulating book by the same title. You will never hesitate in your reasonable defense of your religion once you have absorbed the author's commonsense statements about why he has always been and always intends to remain a Catholic. You will welcome his presentation of Catholicism as a way of life and a system of thought—the only sensible rule to follow in order to avoid chaos in our own personal lives and in the world around us.

The answer to non-Catholics

Non-Catholic friends questioned the author so often about the restrictions placed on him by his unswerving allegiance to the Church that he wrote *Certainly, I'm a Catholic!* as his answer. It is an answer that you, too, can use to explain, without apology or without even a suggestion of uncertainty, the reasons why you are a Catholic and proud of it! With the author's enthusiastic defense (and it is as logical as it is enthusiastic) at your command, you can put your convictions into words whenever anyone brings up false charges against the Church's stand on such controversial subjects as the school bus problem, mercy killing, workmen's rights, parochial schools, sex, and birth control.

Different approach

You will like the author's refreshingly different approach to the material he covers. Remember, he is a born Catholic, not a convert. He thinks the way you do, not as someone who is withdrawn from life. He is young, educated, enjoys a good time, and—above all—thoroughly understands his religion and appreciates its importance to his happiness in this world as well as in the next. If you, too, want to face the present and the future with confidence and courage, read *Certainly, I'm a Catholic!* Use the coupon below to be sure you receive a copy promptly. \$2.50

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Land Of Promise

Another name for the Holy Land. But what sort of promise? For Mary, "thine own heart a sword shall pierce," a promise of trial and sorrow. And the same for His Beatitude, the new Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, who is charged with the care of the Church in the land where these trials and sorrows befell Mary and Her Beloved Son. A Chapel-School, somewhere in the lands marked with the footsteps of Christ, erected in honor of the Seven Dolors, will honor The Sorrowful Mother, aid the burdened Patriarch and benefit the suffering people. \$1,000 will do the job.

HOUSEWRECKERS

That's what the Iconoclasts really were. They opposed the idea of images, statues, pictures. But a house without these things is not really a home, not even God's House. John of Damascus knew it and fought the fight for "decorations" for God's House. His feast is March 27. Many poor churches in the missions lack decorations and furnishings. You can honor him and God by supplying some needed article. Anything from a bell to an altar, from \$5 to \$500.

ONE WAY STREET

From Monsignor McMahon, out in Palestine: "By the way, did you ever appeal for the Sisters of the Good Shepherd at Beirut? Do not forget them. In these parts, a poor girl who makes a mistake has almost only one road." How can we forget... unless we forget that the first person to see the Risen Master was Magdalene? There is a turning in the one way street, at the entrance to the Good Shepherd Sister's home. We want to keep the door to that shelter open. Will you help with some small donation?

SPECIAL ELECTION

Always a matter of utmost urgency to the community. But especially so when the matter is the election of candidates for the priesthood and sisterhood. The burden of decision is a very weighty one. Also the burden of financial support out in the mission lands. You can help there. \$600 for a seminarian, \$300 for a novice.

BLACKOUT

On Passion Sunday the pall of impending death descends upon our churches. All crosses and images are veiled in heavy purple... all but the Stations of the Cross. The figures in that drama are much more eloquent than the eloquent silence of somber purple palls. No church should ever be without these scenes of Christ's Passion. Many mission churches never have them. For \$30 we can provide a set of Stations for a mission church.

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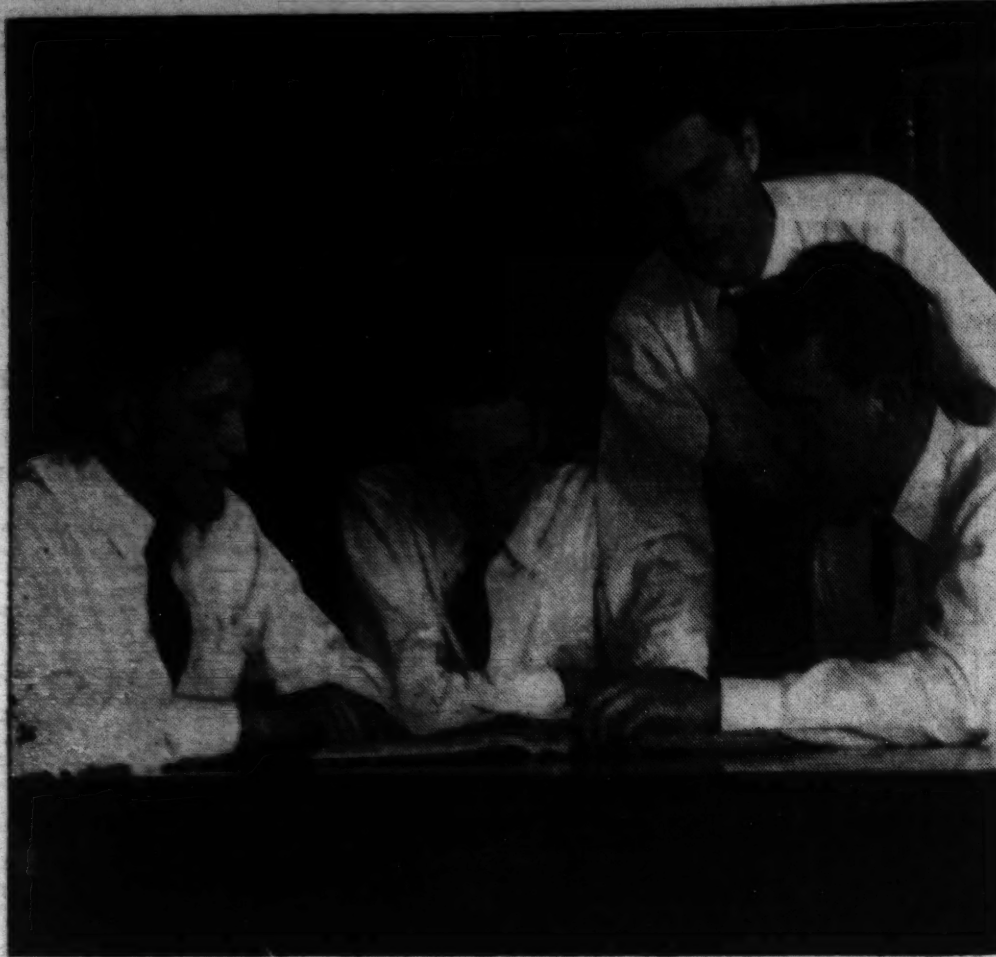
March 28... San Juan Capistrano... swallows... the joy of returning Spring. These thoughts all run together here in our land of plenty. But not in another mission land, where March 28, 1950, was a day of death and the legacy of death left by Winter are the companions of the mind. The Refugees in Palestine see little hope this Spring. They need our help, and need it badly. Any help is great help. \$5 will buy a blanket and some basic supplies. \$10 will provide a food package.

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Cretin High School (St. Paul, Minnesota) Editors Theodore Collins, Fred Kueppers, Ulric Scott and Dave Roszak (left to right) look over a bound volume of Our Sunday Visitor in planning this page.

Hip, Hope, Areep ... for any national emergency

JOHN McMAHON

"PLATOON, attention." This and many other commands can be heard almost daily in gym and on the drill field. Closer investigation will show a unit closely resembling that of a finished army platoon. The purpose of this training is to produce competent officers for any national emergency. In order to train these young men for their future, many subjects are dealt with during the military periods. The largest, of course, is trying to develop polished marching units but this doesn't overshadow the fact that many hours are put in on class work.

Some of the courses are first aid, map reading, world military situation and assembly and disassembly of various rifles. The class in first aid proves valuable even when you're not in the army because you can't tell when you will have an accident. Map reading is another interesting subject but perhaps not as useful in daily life as first aid. The third subject is just another way of keeping up with the news of the world. The last course is probably one of greatest importance to infantry riflemen Ca-

dets are taught how to disassemble and assemble all the major shoulder weapons which the army uses.

All this knowledge is collected in tests following each course and also in the final federal inspection. At this time representatives of the United States Army are sent to Cretin and they give the Cadets a thorough going over, testing them in all the subjects in which they were instructed.

Some credit should be given the senior officers. During the year they do much of the instruction. How well they impart their knowledge can be seen by the fact that the Cretin ROTC unit has, since 1930, received the highest rating of the War department. This is also due to great efforts on the part of the commandant, Lieut. Colonel E. M. Robertson, and his able corps of assistants.

The rifle team under the leadership of Sgt. Allen Sturgis has a number of first, second and third places received in national competition, for the William Randolph Hearst awards.

Results of intense practice are shown in the military performance

of the Crack Drill squad, which specializes in intricate maneuvers and does much to reflect credit on the military training.

Freshman Calisthenics platoon rounds out the varied interests of those participating in military extra-curriculars.

Sports Program Provides Outlet For 900 Athletes

DAVE ROSZAK

WITH nearly 900 ambitious boys seeking an outlet for their athletic abilities, the Cretin Athletic department found it necessary to promote a large-scale sports program at Cretin.

Several sports are on the athletic calendar each year with football, basketball, hockey and baseball occupying the limelight. Track, golf, swimming and bowling, along with "B" squad competition in the major sports, also are included in the athletic roster.

Co-champions of the Central Catholic conference (CCC), of which Cretin is a member, was the title gained by the 1949 Raider football eleven. To top off an excellent grid season, the "B" squad, composed of underclassmen, went through a tough schedule with an undefeated record.

Winter sports are very popular with the student body as can easily be seen by the fine record set by the hockey and basketball teams. In the second annual State Private Prep School Invitational tourney, Cretin defended its title and also extended its winning streak to 25 games in a row without a defeat before bowing in the last encounter of the season.

For the ninth successive year the Raider basketball quintet gained a berth in the state cage meet and also captured third place in the CCC race.

Swimming and bowling teams are organized for those cadets who would like to represent their school in their favorite sports.

Also included in the basketball program is an Intramural league for each class in the school.

Cretin's baseball field and track are the scenes of much activity in the spring as the Raider teams prepare for very extensive schedules. The Raider diamond team garnered the State championship and the tracksters are looking for a very prosperous season. Golf has its place among the Raider sports and deserves it too for last year's edition of the linksters was State champ.

Much credit for Cretin's fine athletic record of the past can be given to the capable coaching of William "Wee" Walsh, athletic director since 1941.

To go along with the fervent school spirit are the cheerleaders that devote much time to helping their fellow students show appreciation for the representatives of their school on the athletic field.

Christian Brothers Mrs. O'Leary's Cow Aids In Supplying 'Firm Hand'

ULRIC SCOTT

D'YOU know how to tell a Cretin high school grad? It's easy! Just mention the great Chicago fire—a smile and a hasty "amen" is the sure fire sign of a Cretin grad.

For when Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked the lantern, it supplied a necessary link in the chain of events that first brought the Christian Brothers to St. Paul, Minnesota.

In 1851 Bishop Cretin established a school on the outskirts of the rising frontier town of Pig's Eye, later renamed St. Paul. Frequent changes in the teaching staff marked the early years of Cretin school. Clerics, seminarians, school marms—none could handle the wild frontier children.

When Young Father Ireland (later to become Archbishop Ireland) stepped into the picture after the Civil War, Cretin no longer lay on the outskirts of town. St. Paul was booming and Cathedral square "lay like an island in a sea of sound."

To the Christian Brothers at St. Louis Father Ireland wrote "Come to St. Paul where your firm hand is needed in the cause of Christian civilization."

But no Brothers could be spared from already crowded schools. Only because their Chicago school went in the great fire were the Brothers able to come to St. Paul in 1871.

The "firm hand" scored an immediate and prolonged success at Cretin, witnessed by the fact that the diocese has twice built a larger Cretin school.

Today's plant houses the present enrollment of 855 boys and is located in the Highland park district of the city.

The curricula has progressed in like manner. A three year commercial course was added to the eight grades in 1889, and in 1914 the present complete four year high school program was inaugurated.

In 1917 military training was introduced, and since 1930 the Cretin ROTC unit has attained the coveted Honor School rating nineteen consecutive years.

With up-to-date accommodations and facilities nothing has been left undone to bring Cretin to a place in the front rank of educational institutions.

Brother I. Damian, superior, and Brother Lawrence Edward, principal, head the present staff of twenty-four Brothers, eight lay professors and six Army officers. Assistant Principals Brother Lawrence Walter and Brother Mark complete the faculty. Their stamp now shows in the worthy lives of thousands of St. Paulites.

Progress would not have been possible without the ever present paternal solicitude of the bishops and Archbishops of St. Paul: Bishops Cretin and Grace, Archbishops Ireland and Dowling, and the present Archbishop John Gregory Murray and his auxiliary Bishop James Byrne.

If Archbishop Ireland were alive he might justly repeat his reflection, "If there is one thing in my life that I am proud of, it is the fact that I brought the Christian Brothers to St. Paul."

gins to achieve the peace and joy which a life in harmony with the will of its Creator gives. No soldier fights worthily except for that which he loves; no Catholic will defend his Church if he makes living by it a burden instead of a blessing.

In the process of spiritual growth the young Catholic has numerous aids. Particularly fortunate are those who receive a Catholic education. Religious teachers can help them to view new ideas from the right standpoint. In biology the vicious crime committed against nature (God's order) by practice of birth control can be shown. In English the errors made by much-imitated thinkers can be

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Editorial

Men Wanted

PAUL ZERBY

"It is no longer permitted to anyone to be mediocre."

—Pope Pius XI

MODERN day Catholics must have a firm, assertive faith in their Church. An easy-going belief in the doctrines of the Church will soon be gone. It will not be able to withstand the barrage of "isms" constantly confronting it. Among the prominent philosophies of living today are communism, atheism, agnosticism and, most universally, a passive paganism. Living in an environment of such unhealthy climate, one must have a hardy, active Credo. A lukewarm love of the Lord soon cools under breezy worldliness.

It is, therefore, essential that young Catholics prepare themselves well to face life and its multitudinous problems. They must lay a rigid foundation of knowledge

and practice upon which to erect a superstructure of Faith. Knowledge is acquired, of course, primarily in school. However, outside reading can do much to stimulate soggy gray matter. The reading diet should consist of carefully selected sources, not a piece-meal snack. Ordinarily alertness and cognizance of what's going on in the world also develop sharpness and preception.

Even if this knowledge is gained, it is useless unless applied in daily living. One who has mastered the doctrine of St. Thomas, but lives by the inanity of Nietzsche has profited little. By regarding the tenets of the Church in their proper light as privileges rather than mere duties, one be-

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"Frankly, Bob, that novel I sold isn't doing too well"

Father Quiz

on matters Catholic

Why are "the prison epistles of St. Paul," written while he was in Rome, remarkably silent about the presence of Peter while other less prominent figures are mentioned, such as "Luke only is with me"?

Peter was the Bishop of Antioch for 25 years after Christ's Ascension into Heaven, and transferred his See to Rome, where, in order to escape the same fate as Paul—that is, to be imprisoned—he hid with the Roman Christians in their place of concealment and carried on the work of the Church in the first Catacombs under the city of Rome.

Peter certainly would not promulgate the fact before Nero, the pagan Emperor, who was persecuting the Church with great violence, that he was ruling Rome as its Bishop.

In the Epistle to the Romans, why did not the Apostle Paul address the letter to the prominent Bishop of Rome? This was written after Peter was liberated from prison and, according to your statement, should have been in the city of Rome.

St. Paul did not write the Epistle to the Romans in the city of Rome. It was written at Corinth, according to most exegetes, in the winter of 57-58, at the close of his third missionary journey, and prior to his voyage to Jerusalem where he was arrested and held prisoner for several years. Paul had practically

finished his work in the east, and decided to journey to Spain, stopping at Rome en route.

In this Epistle he wished to inform the Romans of his intended visit, while he took the occasion to write a treatise on Christ's plan of salvation as compared to that of the Mosaic religion.

Nowhere in the Scriptures does Peter claim for himself the authority and pre-eminence as being the "Bishop" of Rome, or even as the head of the Apostles. In fact, at the Council of Jerusalem, it is James who speaks with authority and not Peter.

Why should St. Peter, whom the Apostles all recognize as their chief, after having been so designated by Christ, boast about it?

You are wrong in asserting that it was St. James who spoke with authority and not Peter at the Council of Jerusalem. James was Bishop of Jerusalem, and it would have been natural for him to preside at the Council. But he actually did not. At that Council the question at issue was whether the Gentiles were bound to obey the Mosaic law. St. Peter spoke first and decided the matter unhesitatingly. Do we not read that, after he had spoken, "all the multitude held their peace" (Acts, XV, 12)? Other Apostles followed him only to confirm his decision.

All the Apostles recognized St. Peter as their chief. Each of the Evangelists, recording the names of all the Apostles, mentions Peter's name first—yet he was not the first one chosen by Christ. He was the one who spoke to the multitude on Pentecost when the first converts were received into the Church. He wrought the first miracle. It was he who declared before the Sanhedrin what the policy of the Apostles would be. Moreover the commissions of Christ to him, whether it was "confirm thy brethren" in their faith; or to shepherd the whole flock of Christ, or to use the authority implied by the transfer of keys, all prove his headship.

Only yesterday we read of one of the most distinguished archaeologists in the University of Oxford, Professor Sayce, declaring before the Scottish Ecclesiological Society that the excavations that have been carried out in Rome at the Church of San Sebastiano, prove beyond a doubt that the bodies of Saints Peter and Paul were actually lying at present under the high altar in St. Peter's. This professor is not a Catholic.

Only One Way To Rear Clean- Minded Youth

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Since every evil must be attacked at its cause or root, popular opinion should demand that those laws be changed which hinder the production of a moral citizenry. Here the end would certainly justify the adoption of the only kind of means which can achieve that end. This would not mean that sectarian religious instruction should be given in the schools, but it should suggest that instruction on the existence of God, His moral law, the responsibility of every human being to his Creator, should be imparted.

A proposal was made in England during the war that every school teacher should prepare himself to teach these fundamental things accepted by the people of all religions. To hold that the home is responsible is not the correct answer. The homes of today only reflect the education received in the last generation, and it too lacked the religious and moral element. To hold that it is the business of the churches is not the correct answer either. Less than one-third of the children in the United States attend Sunday Schools.

Public attitudes towards morals must be realistic and our statements should say that moral instruction teaches the morals by which it is

chiefly needed—the two-thirds of American children who do not know the ABC's of religion; the two-thirds of American parents who are equally ignorant of them.

J. Edgar Hoover claims that "the losses of dollars occasioned by crime exceed by far the \$5,600,000,000 which represent the estimated cost of all types of elementary and secondary education for 1948-1949." He also observes that the vast amount of filthy literature, made available to the homes, because of our loose policy regarding "freedom of the press," is the cause of much juvenile immorality. He writes: "Salacious literature, trashy publications, lewd and subtly suggestive advertisements, pornographic pictures and focal points of criminal infection, such as disreputable dance halls, dives and clip joints," are blameable for most of the rottenness in society.

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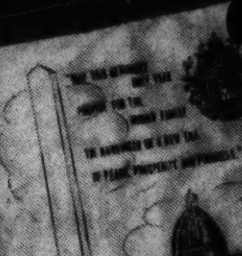
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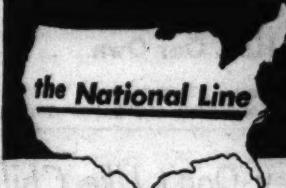
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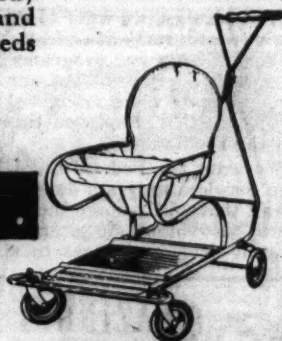
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NOT only have Catholic college teams dominated collegiate basketball circles this year in the matter of winning games, but also in the all America selections. The United Press team was typical containing the names of Bob Cousy, Holy Cross; Paul Arizin, Villanova, and Kevin O'Shea, Notre Dame.

O'Shea was certainly on the spot going into his final game, against Marquette. He needed 21 points to break the Irish single season record of 355 points which had been set by Leo Klier during the 1945-46 campaign. However, he came through getting 23 points to set a new mark of 358 points.

Probably one of the chief reasons he was able to do this stems from the fact that the other members of the squad were most anxious for him to make a new record. I know that three sophomore members of the team told me the night before the Marquette game that they certainly wanted him to "get the record." And that speaks for

good spirit on Coach Ed (Moose) Krause's team.

Only O'Shea and Center John Foley will be lost from among the first 10 men so it is quite likely that Krause may have a pretty fair team next season.

Good Story

Recently while in New York, I heard a good story. As most people know, Ned Irish is the boss at Madison Square Garden having the title of managing director or general manager or some such handle. Now, the Madison Square Garden people also own the nearby St. Nicholas arena. There was some sort of a minor disturbance around the main gate at St. Nick's. Irish happened to arrive on the scene and noting a couple of policemen addressed one: "What's going on here? I'm Irish." To which the cop replied: "So am I, but what's that got to do with it."

Two Guys Named Joe

A couple of fellows who used to be rivals in their old home town, then became teammates in college, have travelled a long way to become rivals again. Whom am I talking about? Two guys named Joe. To be more exact, Joseph Hubert Ruetz, just appointed head football coach at St. Mary's and Joseph Lawrence Kuharich who has been the grid boss at San Francisco the past two years.

Back in the early thirties, Kuharich was captain and a star guard for Riley high school in South Bend. Ruetz was an equally good guard for South Bend Central. And the Central-Riley game is always one of the big events in South Bend.

Following graduation, both boys stayed within the confines of South Bend and matriculated at Notre Dame. In the field of football both did well almost from the start, and as in high school they continued to play guard. In fact in the class of 1938 (the greatest class to ever be graduated from N. D., I might add), they were only two lads to win gridiron monograms three years running. And academically both were honor students.

Ruetz probably played his greatest game as a sophomore in the famous Ohio State game of 1935. It is not very often a lineman is mentioned in the play-by-play account of a game. Yet going through the newspaper files this is what I found: (1) "Dye was thrown for a 13-yard loss by Ruetz"; (2) "Heekin was thrown for a two-yard loss by Ruetz"; (3) "Boucher running from punt formation failed to gain, Ruetz downing him at the line of scrimmage." In that game, although a mere sophomore, Ruetz had more playing time than any other Notre Damer as the Irish swept from behind to score twice in the last three minutes to win, 18-13. Many still call it football's greatest game.

As a junior, Ruetz was moved to quarterback. As you'll undoubtedly recall, the quarter-

Two Guys Named Joe



Joe Ruetz, left, and Joe Kuharich, right

back was a blocking back in those days. Kuharich was a regular guard as a junior and senior. Ruetz was moved back to guard as a senior and became the other regular.

If now in their more mellow days, Kuharich should confide to a San Francisco writer that he was more rugged than Ruetz when they were both the first string guards, he would have a talking point. On a certain play back in 1937, they were both to pull out of the line and lead the interference. But one or the other went the wrong way and they collided in back of the center. Ruetz was knocked out, and he received a cut which necessitated that he wear a special headgear for a few days. Kuharich was stunned but able to continue.

Kuharich always wanted to become a coach. Ruetz desired to become an anthropologist.

Following graduation, Kuharich coached high school ball for one year and then joined the Chicago Cardinals. In 1941, he was an all-league guard and also called the plays for the Cards from his guard position. Ruetz continued his studies working for his master's degree (he now has his doctorate) at the University of California and working as an assistant coach at St. Mary's on the side.

Ruetz was a Marine flyer during the war and Kuharich a Navy officer. The former served in the Pacific, the latter, for the most part, in the Atlantic. It is interesting that Ruetz resigned his naval commission as a physical education officer to enter pilot training with the Marines.

As a part of his anthropology studies, Ruetz has made several trips into the wilderness of the western states of our country. He was on one of these when war was declared and did not learn about Pearl Harbor until 12 days after the Japs had attacked.

For two years now, Kuharich has been doing better than fair at San Francisco. Ruetz was an assistant last year at St. Mary's as he again continued his studies at California. Now he's been appointed the head man at St. Mary's. And when the San Francisco-St. Mary's game comes up next fall, it'll be like the old days when Central played Riley in South Bend. Personally, I hope it ends in a tie.

Short Takes

Engineering seems to be the chosen profession of the University of Detroit fencing squad. Four of the team's ten members are taking engineering courses, and Coach Harry Jansen was graduated from Detroit last June with a degree in Chemical engineering.

To Michael J. Martin, of Walnutport, Pa., and many others who have written asking for a report on freshmen coming up to the Notre Dame varsity this fall and for a spring rundown on prospects in general, I simply say to be patient. Wait until I've watched spring practice for a couple of weeks.

Honors continue to come to Bob (Zuke) Zawisch, St. John's University sophomore center sensation. The six-foot-six prospect was recently named "the sophomore of the year" by Sporting News. In his first 14 outings, Zawisch scored

459 points for an average of 19.1 points per game.

How time moves. The Santa Clara baseball team opened its baseball season with a game with the College of the Pacific, March 4. Coach Patty Cottrell is scheduled to have another good team.

Santa Clara's athletic trainer, Henry (Smitty) Schmidt, is the president of the Pacific Coast Athletic Trainers Association and recently presided at the second annual meeting of the group in Los Angeles.

Bradley University is considered by many to be the best basketball team in the country. But what does that make the University of Detroit five? The Titans defeated Bradley in January, 67-54. The victory was "costly" to Jack Teahen, director of sports publicity at Detroit. He offered to buy all the players bow ties if they won.

Rally Round

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was utterly neglected and was no match for the properly developed right side of his body.

That realization did not stump him. On the contrary it was fresh challenge to his agile body and still more agile disposition. He sought out first a great surgeon and then an expert physical culturist. Under their direction he embarked on a set of exercises that did for his armless left side what normal exercise had done and was doing for his right. He stuck to the training for long years.

The result was the beautifully proportioned man I met, the man who had first ignored and then profited by his handicap, who had fought through, married, made himself a career, and done a great job with the whole of his life.

The whole of his life . . . ?

I must take that back.

One Thing Missing

He had no religion. In fact by Christian standards he had no real moral code. He was a hedonist, a man who lived for satisfaction of self. He took his pleasures where he found them. Exercise, the most penitential exercise, he took for the sake of his health. If he was gracious beyond many a charitable person, it was to win a valuable acquaintance . . . or possibly to annex a new love.

During that brief time that I was with him, I noted that he did not smoke. I learned that he did not drink. And friends told me that at table he was almost an ascetic. He tasted this or that, but he did not plunge heartily into or relish any food. Such indulgence might destroy his health—or so he thought—and might add inches to the perfect waistline, on which he had lavished so much thought and care.

Then I heard that he was dead. He had died of a very strange disease. He had taken his exercise under the most careful medical supervision; he had done his dieting completely on his own. When one day he collapsed at his desk, the doctors announced with some horror that he was literally starving to death. To maintain his exquisite figure, he had eaten so sparingly

that his blood count was far below normal and his whole body was screaming for the adequate nourishment he was denying it.

He died shortly after that collapse, for he had passed beyond the point where he could be cured.

Do It For God

I have thought of him often. A saint doing by way of penance and abstinence all that he did for mere appearances would to the worldling be regarded as a fool. He had done for his body far, far more than anyone else of my acquaintance has done for his soul. He wanted a beautiful body, and he got it. He wanted a fully developed frame, and he managed that. He overcame a serious handicap so effectively that he made the world forget what he had determined he would remember only to cure. He fasted as few anchorites fast; for he fasted in the midst of high society folk, who feast a little on the riotous side and drink to often and too much. He learned to face temptation and push it away with his one steady hand.

He died in the exercise of heroic virtues . . . heroic virtues that lacked all the right motives that might have made his actions noble and eternally valuable.

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Author Converted On The 'Road To Damascus'

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Yet in some of its anguished phrases there stirred the grief and loneliness and heartbreak that lie buried deep in every man whose faith has been lost. The last chapter of that book was far less skeptical than the first. Indeed, to read that book today is to discern between the lines the pale image of reviving faith coming through dark corridors of my thoughts like dawn creeping silently through the streets just before sunrise.

After the book was published I expected to forget the whole matter. But something had hold of me, would not let me go. I began to believe that the ethical statements of Christianity needed to be re-emphasized in a world that became less and less attractive as Nazism offered its hand, stained with the blood of the Jews, and received the clasp of Communistic Russia. No man with eyes to see and ears to hear could mistake the fact that one great and simple moral issue must sooner or later confront the world. Within our generation the people must make a choice between principle and expediency, between good and evil.

Every man, I felt, must contribute what he could to that struggle, and I began to consider one job that I could do which might help. That was to restate the ethics of Christianity in the simplest possible terms. More and more I was astonished to find a great illiteracy all around about the life and teachings of Christ.

One day I said to myself: "I will write an elevator boy's life of Jesus and try to make it as interesting as a serial story in a popular magazine. I will call it *The Greatest Story Ever Told*."

At this time I had not the slightest idea that I was already on the road to conversion. I began to read the New Testament and then various familiar biographies of Our Lord—Renan, Papini, even one by Charles Dickens. For two years I pursued this reading, making copious notes, until I began to feel that soon I might be ready to do the book. Then suddenly I found myself once more overwhelmed with doubt.

Did I really want to write that book? I am sure that I was so disturbed with inner conflict because I was reluctant to admit, or recognize, that I was being tempted to drop—or else accept—the whole thing. It came to a head when at a dinner party I met Father Ignatius J. Cox, a professor at Fordham University.

"How will you start," he asked me, "to go about designing your story?"

My plan, as I explained, was to reassemble in chronological form the history as it is told in the Gospels.

"And how long," Father Cox persisted, "do you think it will take to do that?"

I thought a few weeks. Father Cox smiled kindly. It had taken Pere M. J. Lagrange a lot longer than that, he told me, and added: "I am going to make you a present of his *Harmony of the Four Gospels*."

After that conversation I had to face myself—did I intend to write the book or not? Wasn't I just a sentimental fellow who had been under some kind of poetic spell in Palestine? If I went back there again, wouldn't I look at it much more objectively? There was only one way to find out. That night I decided to make a second journey to the Holy Land.

On Road To Damascus

The end of this second voyage was in Beirut, Syria, and that afternoon my wife and I rode through steep and snowy defiles of the Lebanon Mountains, actually and literally on the road to Damascus! And we slept that night in the city where St. Paul had been blinded by an access of the light. I like to think that night's dreams of strange and wonderful peace in the heart were a promise from my guardian angel.

This time I entered into the land of Our Lord through the northern frontier. I saw the snow on Hermon Hill, and how my heart pounded when across the shepherd's fields I beheld once again the waters of the Lake of Galilee.

This time there was an immense difference in me. Since my last visit here I had read so much and meditated so much that the very air was rich with historic meaning, as if I breathed in the teachings of a blessed life. He had walked here and talked yonder, healing the sick, feeding the hungry, forgiving the sinners, and offering salvation freely and for all. I sat in an automobile but my soul was on its knees!

When at last I came home again I knew my job was cut out for me. I was not ready to write; my ignorance was so vast, my eagerness so intense, that years of more study lay before me. The more I read, the more I thought, the easier it was for me to pray. The day came when I knew that I had come home. That was when I asked the late Father William J. McGarry, S.J., to begin my instruction. He died in the midst of my studies but Father Harold C. Gardiner of America and Father Martin Joseph Scott brought me safely into the fold.

Since then, my book in advance of publication, first became a radio program, *The Greatest Story Ever Told*. Then it appeared as a finished volume. It may sound like false humility for me to say that I know how poor a thing it is compared with how fine I wanted it to be. But I mean it.

But that is only a beginning of the work I hope to do. Fifty years of neglect lie behind me, I must work fast to make up for that wasted time. So I ask all good Catholics, all good Christians, to pray for me. To all those who are attracted and yet frightened and reluctant, I say there is no way to peace on earth except in the footsteps of the Master.

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which no other power would have jurisdiction.

The District of Columbia belongs to no state, and the President and Congress are not subjects of any civil ruler, as they would be if Washington belonged, say, to Maryland or Delaware.

The Seat of Government of any international organization must be somewhere and in the case of the Catholic Church it happens to be in Italy, whence Constantine moved to Constantinople, in order that the successor of Peter might rule from Rome over all Christendom.

It is true that the Pope was for a long time a civil ruler over a portion of Italy as well as spiritual ruler over the whole Church. No one during long centuries questioned the legitimacy of the temporal power he exercised in that limited field.

No Catholic maintains that the Pope must be a temporal ruler. He maintains that the temporal power of the Pope was bestowed on him by the people themselves and by other temporal rulers, and that the confiscation of his domain was not justified.

No Catholic theologian maintains that the Pope should rule in a temporal way over the world or even over Catholic countries. Catholics themselves would not want such a thing, and therefore the American people may feel quite at ease, and ignore the danger signals which are sounded through the atheistic and sectarian press and through the professional anti-Catholic agitator.

Christ Himself in the memorable words, "Give unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's," made it clear that man owes two allegiances. One is to the civil power and the other to the spiritual power. The two need not conflict. Catholics throughout the world owe no temporal allegiance to the Holy See. They would justly oppose any attempt of Rome to meddle in the political affairs of this or any other country.

But, since the temporal and spiritual welfare of men are closely associated, it is important that there be a working basis between the civil government and any church or churches with which the people living under such government hold affiliation. This working basis needs not be anything more than full liberty of action, such as obtains under the Republic of the United States.

It is to the benefit of the state to have subjects who are religious, reverent, conscientious. Therefore the state should encourage the spiritual power.

It is also to the benefit of the

Church to have the good will of the state, even the encouragement of the state, a condition that obtains in the United States. This is as much as the Catholic Church would expect in any country where the majority of the people are not Catholics.

Sometimes our enemies quote the proposition condemned in the Syllabus of Pius XI, which reads, "The Church and State must be separate," in proof of the Catholic "demand" that there must be union between Church and State. However, the inference is not correct. To say that the Church and State must not be separate, is not to say that Church and State must be united.

Protestants certainly have not been consistent in attacking Rome on the ground that she is alert for union of Church and State. The closest union of Church and State ever since the birth of Protestantism has been in Protestant countries. In England, in Germany, in Russia, in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, in other Protestant countries, there has been union between the Protestant Church and the State, and the King or Queen has been

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Home and Family Page

Let's Protect It

Our Stake In U. S. Social Security Plans

RT. REV. MSGR. JOHN O'GRADY

IT IS all-important that we get as many of our people as possible to join in the discussion of the legislation (H. R. 6000) now before the Congress of the United States to amend the Social Security Act. Now what are the Catholic interests in this program?

Since 1935 we have had in the Social Security Act provisions for developing, through governmental funds, programs of social services for children in rural areas and areas of special need. This program, which is called "Child Welfare Services," is administered by the U. S. Children's Bureau.

We are interested in this program. We don't want to see children neglected anywhere. In the program of Child Welfare Services, however, we find ourselves in a sort of ideological battle. In many communities in the United States our Catholic Agencies have made financial arrangements with local governments for the care of our own children on a large scale. These arrangements have endured for many years. They are satisfactory to local communities, but certain people in the Federal Government would like to change them. Sometimes we get the impression that they are more interested in having a purely secularized program of social welfare than they are in taking care of the children in rural areas and areas of special need.

As Catholics, we want to develop our own programs of child welfare. In some places our programs have been well developed. As our own people become more interested they will be further developed throughout the country.

We want the Federal Child Welfare Services program developed in a way that will respect the present status of voluntary groups. We want it developed so as to stimu-

late and encourage voluntary groups.

Aged And Dependent

Through the Old-Age Assistance program the Federal Government assists the states in caring for the needy aged.

Through the Aid to Dependent Children program the Government provides a part of the cost of maintaining a program which was designed to keep children in their own homes. While Catholic organizations are not fully satisfied with the administration of the Aid to Dependent Children program they are cooperating as far as they can locally.

The Federal Government also provides a certain part of the cost of assistance to the needy blind.

The legislation now under consideration by the Congress would increase the Government contribution to these programs and would add a new program of assistance to the totally and permanently disabled.

Those in charge of the Social Security program would like to give more Federal assistance to the states. They would like to see the Government enter into all forms of relief and assistance in the States. They want to provide counseling service for all families and for all children, irrespective of need.

Catholic Charities is very much opposed to this vast expansion of Federal activity in a field that deals with the intimate details of family

life. It would prefer to have the Federal Government remain in the fields of activity that are more directly concerned with the general economic well-being of the people, leaving the problems of family life to the Church, to its charitable organizations, and to agencies that are basically local in character.

Catholic Charities organizations are very much interested in providing a basic floor of security for the aged without compelling them to submit to a needs test. This was one of the original purposes of the Social Security Act. It was thought that the people who had been engaged in any sort of gainful occupation would through their own contributions and the contributions of their employers be able to build up sufficient credits to provide benefits to maintain them during the years when they could no longer work. This we have endeavored to do through Old-Age and Survivors Insurance. But we find that only one-third of the people are now included in this program. Only one-fourth of the present aged are receiving benefits. We therefore want universal coverage so that as nearly as possible all the aged will be included in this program.

We Help Our Own

The same program that provides for the aged on the basis of their

own contributions and those of their employers, was designed to provide for families who have been deprived of the support of their chief breadwinner through illness or pre-mature death. Those who have paid contributions, or for whom contributions have been paid, are entitled to benefits for their survivors, including widows, children and dependent parents.

More and more of our lay people should understand this Social Security program. They should know what it means to them. They should know what our basic objectives are in this program. We want to stimulate and encourage voluntary effort in the care of children, confining Government aid to those areas that are not reached by voluntary effort.

We do not want the Federal Government dealing with the intimate affairs of family life.

We would like to see the Federal Government confine itself to providing protection against the economic hazards to which individuals and families are exposed.

We are interested in universal coverage under Old-Age and Survivors Insurance.

We favor the provisions of H.R. 6000 which would make it possible to have coverage for workers in voluntary agencies without jeopardizing the tax-exempt status of these agencies.

They Don't Like Children

Strange Form Of Intolerance!

T. J. MCINERNEY

AS the father of three small children, I have long been aware that there exists a feeling of prejudice on the part of some people towards these tiny creatures of God. Although I am keenly aware that children are sometimes mischievous and do things that annoy older people—particularly childless people—I find it hard to fathom the reason for the intensity of the dislike entertained by many people for children.

I never knew how widespread is this feeling until I undertook recently to help raise funds for a parochial school in our parish. The refusal of hundreds of people to contribute to the fund which was being raised for the specific purpose of providing Catholic education for youngsters came as a surprise. The apparent relish with which so many of these people ascribed their refusal to their dislike of what they called the "parish brats" came more as a shock than as a surprise.

If the children who were thus maligned were maliciously mischievous or delinquents, this attitude might be understandable. They happen to be average, healthy youngsters and I can recall no act of any single one of them that might be considered vicious.

What disturbs me is that this intolerant attitude towards children isn't confined to my locality. Some friends from the Mid-West visited us recently and they were telling us about their experiences in attempting to arouse interest among their fellow-citizens in establishing a playground area for small children. They had to abandon the project because so many of those approached said, in effect: "I am not interested in doing anything for those kids!"

A business associate of mine who lives in an adjoining state sold his home recently because he felt that it was the only way in which he could prevent his wife from suffering a nervous breakdown. They lived in a small development and most of the immediate neighbors were middle-aged couples without children. Hardly a day went by without him or his wife being badgered by complaints concerning the "destructive" acts of their children. A typical "destructive" action was his five-year-old daughter pursuing a blown-off hat onto a neighbor's lawn and being accused of "severely damaging" the lawn.

A friend of mine who had a job

with the United Nations' agency which sought to raise a world fund to provide for underprivileged children had many disheartening experiences and the fund only achieved a fraction of its objective.

In my opinion, all of these things add up to a problem that could develop into something serious. Children are quick to sense attitudes. We should not permit them to grow up in an atmosphere of hatred.

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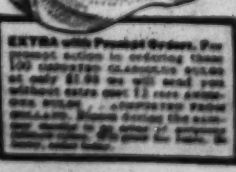
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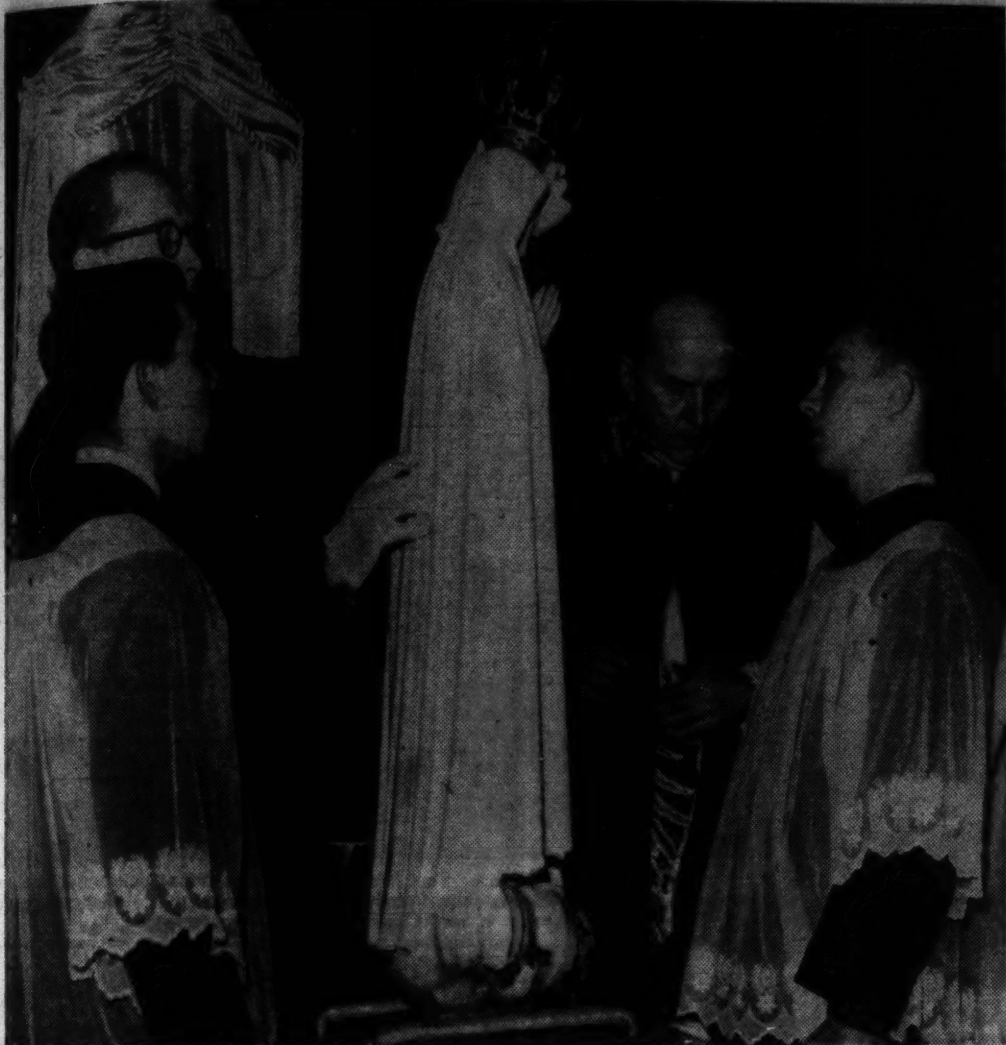
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Pilgrim Virgin Crowned In Three Centers During Pilgrimage



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Pictured are scenes of three crowning ceremonies in the Fatima Statue pilgrimage now in progress in the Fort Wayne Diocese. Above, the Very Rev. Leo Kappahn, O.S.C., crowns the replica at Our Lady of the Lake Seminary, Wawasee; above, left, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. Lawrence Monahan, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Fort Wayne, and the Rev. Desmond Stringer at the Fort Wayne parish ceremonies; below, left, the Rev. T. E. Dillon, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Huntington, Father Stringer and the Rev. Stanley Manoski, Cathedral assistant, Fort Wayne, at the Huntington coronation.



Courtesy Huntington Herald-Press

A Profile . . .

St. Anthony's Church, South Bend

With the appointment of the Rev. Jerome R. Bonk as pastor in June, 1948, by the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D., Bishop of Fort Wayne, St. Anthony's Parish, South Bend, took root.

Ground was broken for the first unit on May 3, 1949. Designated by Pirola and Erbach, Chicago architects and constructed by Peter Schumacher and Sons, Mishawaka, the temporary church and four class rooms were completed by January 1, 1950, the date which in the future will mark the beginning of the new parish. Cost of the unit is a little over \$81,000.

To date the parish has a registered enrollment of 342 families from whose members the social and spiritual organizations have been established.

Assisting the pastor as the councilmen are Bernard Hochsteter, Francis F. Hoose, Ralph R. Jasper, John B. Morgan, Dr. Carl Rudolph and A. J. Warner.

The Holy Name Society: Frank Piechowiak, president; Giles Fitzgerald, vice president; Richard Michels, secretary; John M. Haney, treasurer, and Albert Liepold, marshal.

Rosary Society: Mrs. Theodore Shafer, president; Mrs. Vincent Doyle, vice president; Mrs. John Cordeh, secretary and Mrs. A. V. Vanderbosch, treasurer.

Young Ladies Sodality: Bernadette Lataski, president; Mary Ann Pordon, vice president; Ann Clements, secretary, and Dorothy Van De Walle, treasurer.

So far, these organizations boast sizeable accomplishments.

Ladies Sewing Circle: Five sets of vestments; two copes; Benediction veil; six albs; eight amices; eighteen cassocks and surplices.

The Liturgical Unit: Development of congregational prayers and singing; first "Missa Recitata" Sunday, March 5.

Holy Name Men: Laying of asphalt tile; construction of vestment cases; installation of pews.

Parish donations: Five statues; monstrance; tabernacle; chalice, ciborium, sanctuary furniture; baptismal font; flower vases and altar linens. Substantial donations have also been pledged to equip the office and kitchen.

Choir: Composed of 16 members directed by Sister Mary Sylviana. Music is strictly Gregorian.

School: Sisters of St. Joseph comprise the teaching staff and will open full classes in September, 1950, the number of grades to be determined later.

Pastor and Sisters instruct children attending public school every Saturday morning. The average attendance is 42. Couples alternate teaching children from two to six years of age in Mass "know-how" while parents assist at the 9 o'clock Sunday Mass.

Four Masses were offered on the opening day of the Church's history on January 1, 1950. St. Anthony's is located at Jefferson and Ironwood Drive.

Ad Multos Annos Drive.

New Catholic Authors Handbook Is Published

St. Louis—(NC)—In recognition of present day writers whose work is stamped with Catholic religious ideals and scholarship, the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors has published the 1950 edition of its handbook, it has been announced. International in scope, the book provides one of the most interesting lists of Catholic writers now available.

The 1950 Handbook of Living Catholic Authors contains the names, biographical sketches, and major works of the more than 600 Gallery members. Divided according to languages, the sections cover ten groups of writers: English, German, Polish, Flemish-Dutch, French, Italian, Lithuanian, Scandinavian, Slovak, and Chinese. In addition, the book reviews briefly the history of the Gallery and its place in Catholic literature.

Sister Mary Joseph of the Sisters of Loretto, of Webster Groves, Mo., founded the Gallery in 1932. Headquarters of the organization are at Webster Groves.

The services were concluded with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Boy Rangers To Present Skits

Fort Wayne—The Forest Rangers of Summit City Court No. 1180 Catholic Order of Foresters will hold their monthly meeting Monday, March 27, 7:00 p. m. in the C.O.F. hall, 1815½ S. Lafayette st.

The following Boy Rangers will present skits: James Kever—"St. Francis," George Alter, Jr.—"St. Patrick" and Joseph Noll—"St. Joseph."

The Juveniles of the C.O.F. will hold their Annual Communion Sunday along with the Senior members on Passion Sunday at St. Paul's Church at the 8:00 o'clock Mass.

Michael Costello, 79, St. Jude, Fort Wayne.
Mrs. Cecilia Woebeke, 77, St. Paul, Fort Wayne.
Mrs. Henrietta Faurote, St. Jude, Fort Wayne.
Frank P. Wisniewski, five months, St. Vincent de Paul, Fort Wayne.
Mrs. Mary Nye, 65, St. Paul of the Cross, Columbia City.

New Organ Dedicated At St. Vincent's In Elkhart, March 19

Elkhart—The newly installed organ at St. Vincent's Church was blessed and dedicated Sunday evening, March 14, in ceremonies which included a recital by Neil J. Thompson, organist at St. Patrick's church in Fort Wayne.

The Rev. Joseph Hession pastor at St. Vincent's blessed the instrument, reading the English translation of the Latin preceding the blessing.

Requiescant

FRANK E. LOMONT

Requiescant—Frank E. Lomont, 88, R. R. 1, New Haven, died last week of his home. A retired farmer, he was born, lived and died in his New Haven home. He was a Jefferson Township trustee for 14 years and an ancestor for 19 years.

A member of St. Louis Church, Roman Catholic, he was a member of the Holy Name Society and a trustee of the church for the last 40 years.

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Lewis College Joins Midlands Conference

Rensselaer, Ind.—Lewis College of Lockport, Ill., has been accepted into the Midlands Conference with full conference privileges. This action was passed last weekend at the annual spring meeting of the conference's executive committee at Loras College, Dubuque, Iowa.

As the fifth team in this Catholic College league, Lewis joins St. Norbert, West DePere, Wis.; St. Ambrose, Davenport, Iowa, Loras, and St. Joseph's.

Quincy College of Illinois was also represented at the meeting.

The Loras meeting was also the occasion of the third annual extramural meet which pits together the intramural league champions from the member colleges.

Loras won the tourney by taking first in bowling, basketball, and table tennis doubles, and a second place in volleyball. St. Joseph's was runner-up with firsts in volleyball and table tennis singles and a second in basketball.

John Barrientos, St. Joseph's College junior from Van Wert, Ohio, won the conference singles title in table tennis for the third straight year.

St. Norbert placed third with seconds in table tennis singles and doubles while St. Ambrose was last with a second place in bowling.

Noll High In Broadcast Over WGN

Hammond—Saturday, April 1, the students of Bishop Noll have been invited to be the guest school on the program, "Citizens of Tomorrow," sponsored by the Chicago Tribune on station WGN.

Participating in the 10:30 to 11:00 o'clock show will be the principal, the Rev. A. J. Junk, the Senior Choral Club, under the direction of the Rev. F. Melevage, and student Louis Francini, who will entertain with his violin. Some of

We Were Capped

The capping ceremony is a never-to-be-forgotten one, as it is the first step in the profession of nursing. Every girl having aspirations of being a nurse looks forward to the day when she will wear the cap that is symbolic of her profession. During the probation period, a girl tested for her capabilities. Then comes the long-awaited day. One feels nervous, and yet just a little proud to step forward to receive the cap . . . proud, because you have earned the right to wear it, and nervous, because the public now classifies you as medical personnel, capable of giving efficient nursing service.

One should always keep in mind that nursing isn't a mere means of livelihood. Nursing is a vocation. It is a corporal work of mercy. When Christ was here on earth, He went about healing the sick. After He ascended into heaven He left the care of the sick to those of us whom He has blessed with the holy vocation of nursing.

Here in St. Joseph's hospital, Fort Wayne, where we as students try to live the ideals of the nursing profession. Christ's words seem to ring with amazing clarity: "Amen, I say to you, as long as you did it to one of these, My least brethren, you did it to Me."

In the address given at the time of our capping, Dr. E. W. Nahrwold, president of the medical staff stated: "You no longer will be looked upon as probationers, but as nurses, and are expected to take on the responsibilities of a nurse." These responsibilities have added a seriousness to our lives which holds our attention to the importance of our work. To meet these responsibilities we feel that Christ has given us the guiding hand of His own Blessed Mother, and she will be with us to help us in the service to His poor, sick and afflicted.—Audrey Harber.

the students will also take part in a quiz.

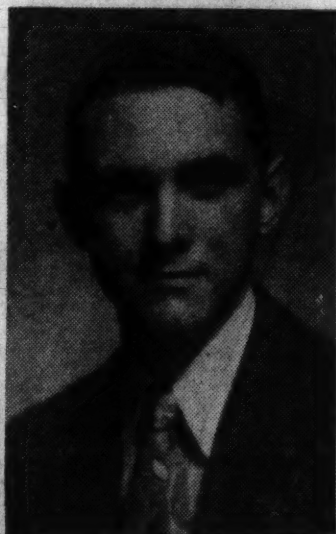
The program "Citizens of Tomorrow," directed by Philip Maxwell, Principal of the Air, is dedicated to the youth of America.

Fort Wayne Capping



Sister M. Theodorita, director of the St. Joseph hospital school of nursing, Fort Wayne, caps Barbara Otte at ceremonies held recently. Looking on are Mary Anne Rothwell, Mary Anne Yakubek and Margaret Redmon.

To Graduate



Maurice (Moe) Hebb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Hebb, Fort Wayne, is an accounting major at St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, scheduled to graduate this June. A graduate of St. Peter's grade school and Central Catholic high school, Fort Wayne, Hebb was a basketball monogram winner at St. Edward's for four years, was captain of the team the last two years and as a sophomore was named the team's "most valuable." He was one of six candidates for "Man of the Year" selection at the university and has been prominent in extra-curricular activities. He currently is NFCCS chairman at St. Edward's.

All-Girl Cast To Give Plays

South Bend—"Show Boat Daze," consisting of a "mello"-drama, short skit and minstrel with all-girl casts will be presented by the Morning Star Sodality at St. Stephen's Church on Sunday, April 2, at 8:00 p. m. in the parish hall.

The cast of characters for the "mello"-drama, "Little Nell," will be Katherine Nyikos as Little Nell; the heroine, Nancy Niezgodski as Hector Skyscraper; the hero, Henrietta Ewald as Carleton Bainbridge; the villain, Clara Miller as Ma Wilkins and Lynne Minor as Pa Wilkins. Others in the cast are Marlene Lezer, Mary Kuminecz and Alice Szabo.

The skit, "Lily Forever—Or Saved from a Fate Worse Than Death" was written by Theresa Torok and will be directed by her as will be the "mello"-drama. The cast includes Joan Lovas as Lily Gem; Irene Micsalski as Lovandal O'Rourke; Ethel Molnar as Willis Battle; Mary Peters as Wardrobe Mistress; Patricia Madaras as Clara-bell; Rose Ann Horvath as Arranda. Mary Kuminecz as the director within the skit.

The minstrel is under the direction of Joseph Bella. The cast includes Theresa Nyikos and JoAnn Berta along with the other members of the Sodality. Interlocutor will be Irene Egry. Accompanist will be Eugene Ryers.

CYO To Stage 'The Upper Room' This Week-End

Fort Wayne—The Passion Play, "The Upper Room," will be presented Friday through Sunday nights, March 24-26, by the Fort Wayne Senior Catholic Youth Organization.

The Passion play, written by the Rev. Msgr. Hugh Benson, will begin at 8 o'clock each night. The play presents the Passion of Christ and tells the story of what happened in the Upper Room after Christ left with His Apostles.

Members of the cast include Phil Zickgraf, Bill Erb, Baraba Meyer, Frank Kelley, Tom Seculoff, Bill Devine, Rosemary Rolape and Joe Ellen Shanley. The Rev. Eugene Zimmerman, director of the CYO, is directing the play.

Jim Feidler, Jim Klein, Donald Prenger, Gus Weber, Bob Sullivan and Donald Ankenbrusk are handling lighting, sound effects and props.

No tickets will be sold prior to the performance.

Benning Heads Notre Dame Club; Easter Dance Set

Fort Wayne—Thomas Benning has been elected president of the Fort Wayne Club of the University of Notre Dame.

Other officers are Allen C. Ward, vice-president; Jack Keane, secretary, and Thomas Griffith, treasurer.

The Notre Dame Club's Easter dance will be held at the Prom Terrace, Saturday night, April 8, from 9:30 p. m. to 12:30 a. m. Music will be provided by Burton Schlie's Orchestra.

Allen C. Ward is general chairman of the dance assisted by Dan Hipskind, Richard Blume, William Poinsette, James Miller, Robert Gordon, John Carp and Travers McDonald.

Program chairmen are Mary Horvath and Irene Egry, Marlene Lezer is in charge of ticket sales; Rose Peters, publicity; Mary Kuminecz, Irene Michalski and Patricia Madaras, costumes; make-up chairman is Theresa Lovas and scenery Henrietta Ewald and Katherine Nyikos.

Alerting Youth Alerted For Clean-Up Week

Gary—The sixth annual clean-up week at the Gary Alerding Settlement House has been set this year for March 27 through the 31, it was announced by the Rev. James Cis, Director. It isn't just all fun and play with the youths at the Gary Alerding Settlement House; there is much serious work carried on the year around.

It is a common sight to see many youths helping and working hand in hand with Father Cis. They help in various clean-up and improvement projects in and about the House in order to stretch the dollar and have a finer recreation center as a result of it.

Yet, once a year, there is one week of "time out" from all recreation in the House for the annual clean-up week. During the clean-up week the youths take part in the general cleaning of the interior of the House in preparation for Easter and the spring season.

The clean-up consists of washing the ceilings and walls in all the rooms and hallways; washing and polishing all woodwork and furniture; cleaning of windows; scrubbing and waxing the floors. This annual project is a tremendous saving to the House, which in turn is able to get more equipment and give more in recreational facilities. Furthermore, it gives the youths a sense of value and appreciation for their "second home." It gives them a feeling that the "Gas House" is their own.

Several adults along with the director and sisters, residents of the House, will supervise the Annual Clean-Up Week work. The clean-up will be done every evening from 7 to 10 p. m.

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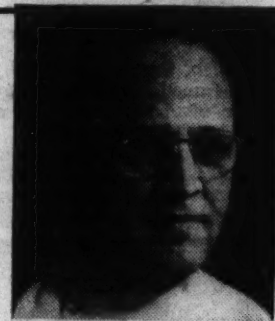
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April Program

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"Sunday Sitters" organized to take care of babies and youngsters in school hall to enable parents to attend Mass together.

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Scholarship Test Set By St. Mary's Club

South Bend—St. Mary's College has announced that applications are now open for the one-year scholarship offered annually to a graduate of a South Bend or Mishawaka High school by the South Bend-St. Mary's Club. Written applications must be submitted to principals by April 1.

Any girl who is a member of a 1950 graduating class may apply. A competitive examination will be held at St. Mary's on April 22. The winner will be announced at the end of the college year.

The school includes tuition and general fees for a day-student for one year. Funds for the scholarship are obtained through the club's annual scholarship ball, to be held this year on May 6. Mrs. Carroll J. O'Connor is president of the club, and Mrs. William H. Klem is Scholarship Chairman.

CULTURAL

Listening program—"A Taste of the Classics."

"Christ and the Dark," third in a series of four panel discussions on the Negro (this panel will be developed in next issue of the Forum).

Camera Fan Night—exhibit favorite pictures taken by members.

Boys and Girl's Week—Theme: Youth's Responsibility (See Forum of April 2nd).

SOCIAL

Fiesta—The South American Way.

Benefit card party for the benefit of softball team.

Theatre Party.

Pirate's Night—new twist to scavenger hunt idea—Captain Kids, maps in hand, sets out on search for treasure—prize for the winning team.

PHYSICAL

"Specially for Sportsmen" can be the theme of movies on baseball, fishing, etc. Write Bell & Howell Co., Larchmont Ave., Chicago for catalogue of their sports films.

Sports Night—table tennis, badminton, games suggested by membership. Divide into teams—award prize to winning team.

Organize softball and baseball teams in parish.

Contest Winner

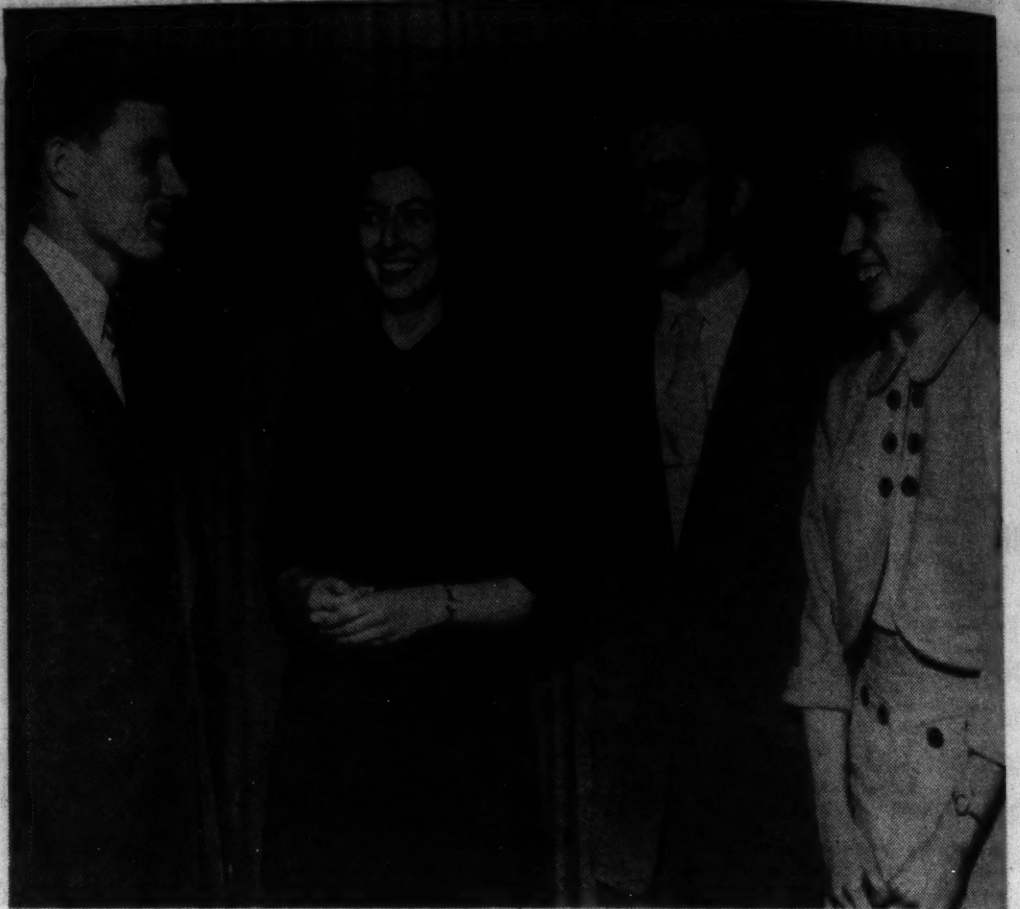
Hammond—Miss Carolyn Karis, eighth grade student of St. Casimir School, here, won an essay contest entitled, "What Citizenship Means to Me." This contest was sponsored by the WLS School Times News. Both Miss Karis and her teacher, Sister M. Marcellita, O.S.F., were awarded a table model radio.

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Head Fort Wayne CYO



New officers of the Catholic Youth Organization of Fort Wayne were installed at a banquet held recently at the Chamber of Commerce. The new officers shown above left to right are Pat Maher, president; Mary Ann Nash, vice-president; Dick Loraine, treasurer, and Carolyn Schneiders, secretary.

Scholarship Exams At St. Joseph's, April 15

Rensselaer—April 15 has been set as the date for competitive examinations to be taken by those high school senior men seeking four-year scholarships at St. Joseph's College, according to the Rev. Cletus Kern, registrar.

Principals of more than 700 high schools in Indiana and surrounding states have received the examination announcement. To compete, a student must be eligible for high school graduation by June, 1950.

In addition, he must have his principal's recommendation, stand in the highest third of his class, and meet the college's entrance requirements.

Scholarships are awarded to high scorers on a regional basis. Ten grants will be distributed among winners and runners-up from each of the five following regions: northern Indiana and Michigan, central Indiana, southern Indiana and Kentucky, Illinois and Wisconsin, and Ohio.

Applicants from outside these regions will be assigned to the region nearest them.

Regional winners' scholarships will be valued at \$1,000 and the runners-up will be awarded \$400 grants.

An 11th scholarship, valued at \$1,400 will be given to the contestant making the highest mark, regardless of his region. The program is in its second year of operation.

Donald Novotny Wins First District K.C. Oratory Title

Whiting—Donald Novotny of Gary will represent the First district in the Gary regional of the Indiana State Knights of Columbus oratorical contest to be held in the K. of C. clubrooms on April 16.

Novotny, a senior at Lew Wallace High school, and son of Andrew Novotny, member of St. Thomas Council, Gary, and athletic director at the Gary CYO, won over Robert O'Drobinak of Whiting in the district eliminations held in the Whiting Slovak Dom Monday night, March 20.

O'Drobinak, son of Charles O'Drobinak of Whiting Council, and senior at Bishop Noll High school in Hammond, represented Whiting council.

Red Nationalism

Notre Dame—"Russian Nationalism, Old and New" were analyzed by Dr. Sergius Yakobson, government specialist in Soviet affairs, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 22, 23 and 24, at the University of Notre Dame.

The three lectures were presented at 4:15 p. m. daily, were arranged by the University's Committee on International Relations.

McNulty Wins K. C. District Test In Huntington

Huntington—Patrick McNulty, Huntington Catholic High school senior, won the district elimination in the annual Knights of Columbus state oratorical contest held in the K. of C. clubrooms Monday night.

His oration on "What the Holy Year Means to Me" merited the unanimous decision of the judges. Thomas Alter of Fort Wayne placed second and Robert Zeser, Decatur, took third place.

McNulty is now eligible for the regional contest which will be staged at the local K. of C. next month. Regional winners throughout the state will compete for the final crown in Indianapolis before the annual K. of C. convention in Terre Haute, Ind., May 26-28. The top orator will give his speech at the convention banquet.

Judges for the local meet were Lee M. Bowers, Huntington attorney; Robert McDonald of Fort Wayne and Severin Schuriger of Decatur.

Judge John H. Logan, Fort Wayne, Fourth District Deputy, served as chairman.

The Rev. James O'Connor, faculty member of Central Catholic High School, Fort Wayne and Herman J. Knapke, grand knight of Decatur K. of C. council, were guests for the occasion.

Northern Indiana Grade Titleists



St. Monica's grade school basketball team of Gary, after lambasting all competition in the Gary CYO grade net loop, also walked off with top honors in the tournament for Catholic grade schools in Northern Indiana sponsored by Bishop Noll high school, Hammond. The champions finished league play with a 19-4 record. Director of the quintet is the Rev. Edward A. Mann, O.M.I., and coach is Leonard Hayes. Pictured left to right standing are Coach Hayes, Edward Gardner, Leroy Kelley, Kenneth Hayes, Robert Alexander, Lee A. Williams and Father Mann; sitting, Thomas Bush, Robert Welch, Robert Wallace and Eazel Sparks.



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